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AUSSIES AHEAD

Jim Patikas:
Winning goal

SCOTS GO DOWN TO OUR BOYS (2-1)

AFTER their somewhat disappointing opening match against Mexico on Friday, Australia came back on Monday to defeat the World Youth Cup favourites and European champions, Scotland 2-1 at Toluca in one of the biggest shocks of the tournament.

Scotland made Australia's task much easier by giving a below international standard performance. Indeed, their ace players, striker Eric Black and midfielder and skipper, Paul McStay played well below their ability and capacity.

Best player on the pitch was easily Scotland's sweeper, Neil Cooper. Cooper, an outright midfielder from Aberdeen, constantly controlled the

defence as well as venturing upfield to instigate Scotland raids.

But, enough about Scotland.

Australia's heroes were goalkeeper Anthony Franken, who made a magnificent debut last week against Mexico, free-back, Tony Dakos, who filled in for the injured Australian captain Tommy McCulloch, Joe Rizzotto and, later in the second half, replacement

Rene Licata.

The Australian midfield looked a little lethargic with the exception of screener, Russell Stewart, who repeatedly put bite into his tackles.

Australia's attack also had problems with strikers David Lowe and Rod Brown constantly shut down by Scotland's back four, who allowed them very little space.

Jimmy Patikas, of whom so much was ex-

pected, only once made a strong run up front.

The first half ended scoreless with both teams showing a reluctance to any positive forward commitment or pattern of play.

In the 34th and 35th minutes, Australia survived after a glancing header from Black and a powerful left-footed drive from Brian Rice that

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Eric Black of Scotland goes up for a head shot against Ralph Mier, left, of Australia, in the World Youth Championship.

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BRAVO 0-28

ONCE again it was left to Channel 0-28 to pick up the pieces and save Australian Soccer fans from missing out on a live coverage of Australia's World Youth Cup match against Mexico.

With the WYC championship finals being currently held in Mexico,

By JOHN ECONOMOS

Australia desperately needed a live coverage.

The Channel 7 network, who had the television rights for all interna-

tionals involving Australia, made, in my opinion, a most pathetic attempt in negotiating a telecast with the Mexican authorities.

Channel 7 maintained that the Mexicans were talking "telephone num-

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EDITORIAL

The antics of Sydney Olympic in diverting the blame for calling off the match against Newcastle KB United besmirches the name of a great club.

Here we had the club pointing to Ashfield Council as the culprits and then, from all reports, admitting that they themselves were at fault.

There is quite a deal of football experience around the Olympic camp — more than sufficient to provide sound advice and avoid this sort of caper.

Where in the world would any club get away with such a performance?

Whether there were good reasons or not — and we say not — Newcastle club was not even told that the game had been called off until the Saturday night.

The moment word was out of the "postponement", people closely connected with the game sensed that something was wrong.

Pratten Park was quite playable under heavy conditions for the Canberra Arrows game, just as it had been on the previous Saturday. There had also been two days of drying winds and blue skies leading up to the Sunday in question.

Marconi, who claimed deferment of their game in Newcastle on Saturday, were on completely firm ground.

With four players overseas and three unable to front, they reluctantly claimed their right under the regulations.

But even in this case the NSL must come to grips with a bigger problem. They cannot close shop if they are to supply football to a sporting public which lives in a highly competitive atmosphere.

Neither code with international interests — Rugby League or Rugby Union — will postpone games for internationals, come what may.

Teams may be depleted but club fans are looked after by the provision of games at the best possible standard that can be arranged.

Soccer's alternative is to give the public nothing.

Too many Soccer clubs and their coaches look for a way out and it is simply not good enough. Continuous play would help develop more young Australians, something that needs more commitment from the clubs.

No wonder KB president Paul Newmark said: "Why does the competition stop because players are overseas? We are just not giving the public satisfaction."

Had Olympic not been called in to play Newcastle on Saturday, the code would have been a laughing stock. KB had a big promotion featuring Mike Channon in addition to television cover that is generally missing apart from 0/28's sound, but geographically limited, cover in major cities.

Newcastle would have been without a home game from May 22 to June 26. How can any club which is largely dependent on its gate receipts stay in operation on that basis.

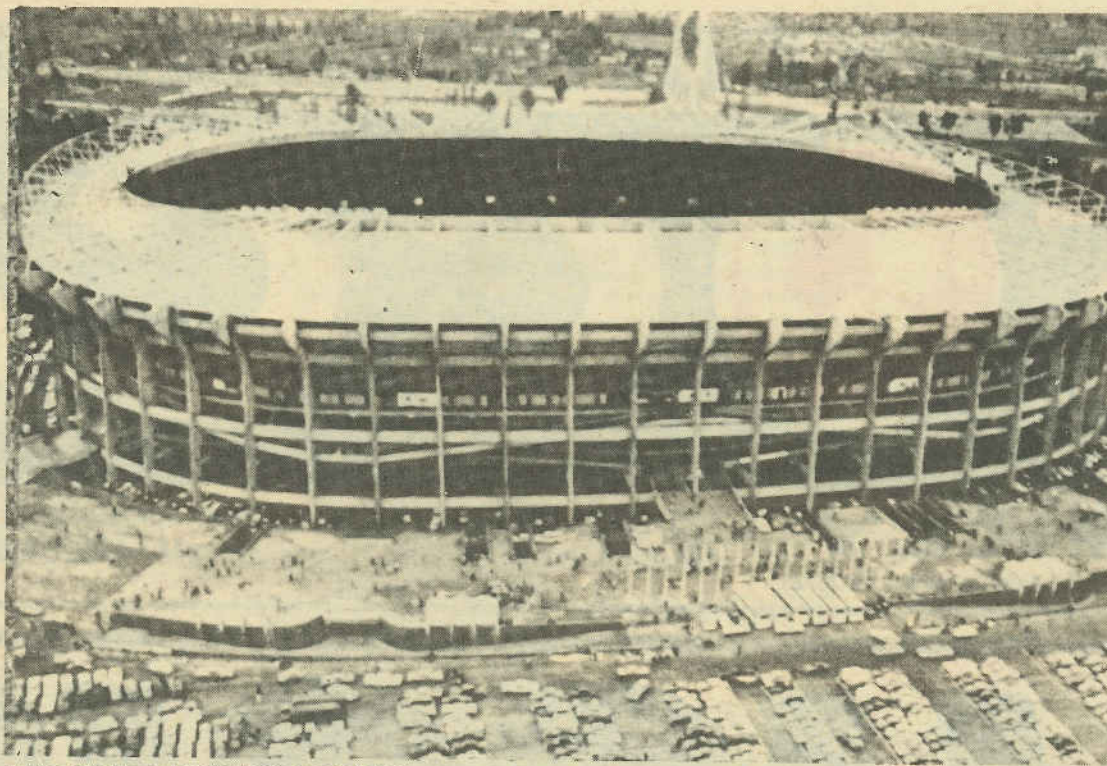
Olympic must learn the hard way that the show must go on.

The flip side of the coin is almost as remarkable.

The League "severely censured" Olympic and then proceeded to slap a paltry \$1,000 bond on them, refundable at the season's end if regulations and precedures are obeyed for the rest of the year.

If, in the annals of Australian Soccer you can find a softer penalty for such a flagrant breach then we would prefer not to hear about it.

Sydney Olympic may consider themselves a trifle lucky that they were not hit much harder.



Aztec Stadium: traffic jams to and from.

FIFA'S BIG BLUNDER

TOLUCA.— FIFA acted hastily in naming Mexico host nation for the 1986 World Cup.

I do not think the Mexicans are capable of staging a real World Cup if their performance in the World Youth Championship is any indication.

Sure, Mexico has previously held a World Cup and with relatively few complaints. But, that was 13 years ago when the show was much smaller and far easier to handle.

We have been here for the last fortnight and have had to put up with frustration upon frustration.

FIFA put the visiting media near the top of its list of priorities, but the Mexicans did not get their message at this WYC

championship. On opening night in the Azteca stadium, there were eight telephones for 250 pressmen. The phones

were padlocked and it was almost impossible to make international calls on the others.

When I was lucky enough to get through to Australia, it was virtually a case of screaming every word because of the shouting and babble in

the pressroom. Hasn't Mexico ever heard of sound-proof telephone booths?

Then there was the

**By DAVID JACK
FROM TOLUCA**

weird affair of Australia's late arrival for the match against Mexico.

I do not believe the Australians were blameless — yet the Mexicans did not help very much.

Somebody from the Mexican Federation should have instructed

the ASF's Peter McCann about travel arrangements to the ground. Somebody should have provided a police escort to help the team thread its way through Mexico's two million vehicles — most of which seemed to be in the traffic jam between the city and the Azteca stadium.

Then there was the unforgivable botch-up over the hotel bookings for the various teams.

Three teams walked out of their hotels almost as soon as they had booked in. It's no fun in near century temperatures with no air conditioning in your room.

It is an insult for any team to be expected to

stay at a \$10 a night hotel where a three course meal can be had for about \$3.

FIFA did not check these hotels. For the Mexicans were able to make all arrangements. They did not make them very well.

If these things happen in 1986, the World Cup will degenerate into a farce.

It is no wonder that officials of the United States Soccer Federation here in Mexico for the WYC are bitter about the way their application to host the 1986 cup was treated.

Paul Gardener, an old friend from New York city, told me: "We were treated badly by FIFA and it will not be forgotten. It is obvious FIFA wanted Mexico to get the World Cup in 1986 — no other country had a chance."

That is why FIFA rep-

resentatives refused to even visit the USA to see what they had to offer.

The WYC is a dummy run for the World Cup. The lesson it has taught us is that Mexico must improve 200 per cent before 1986.

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flashed past Australia's right post.

Then, Australia picked themselves up, when, just six minutes after the break, Patikas knocked the ball wide into the box for Lowe.

Lowe, from the by-line, hooked an overhead shot back across the face of the goalmouth and found Fabio Incantalupo wide out in the box. Incantalupo smashed a left-footed low drive straight into the far corner of Scot-

land's net to put Australia in front.

Scotland immediately made a change by bringing on Tottenham Hots-pur's left striker, Alistar Dick for James Dobbin. Minutes later, Australia responded with a change by bringing Queensland striker, Danny Wright on for Frank Farina.

In the 61st minute Scotland hit back with an equaliser by skipper McStay, who scored from eight metres out.

Again Australia made a change after this goal. Coach Les Scheinflug, turned loose Marconi's speedy left flanker, Rene

Licata to replace Incantalupo — and what a difference this fellow made.

Four times he busted his way down the left flank, completely ignoring, with sheer arrogance, Scotland's reputation.

Spurred by Licata's drive and fire, Australia came back strongly.

It all happened with just three minutes left.

Rizzotto latched on to the ball and knocked a magnificently measured pass over the top, splitting two Scotland defenders and dropping it right at the feet of Patikas.

Patikas turned on the ball with only goalkeeper

Brian Gunn to beat. Approaching the goals, Patikas held back a blister and instead made sure by rounding the 'keeper before side-footing into Scotland's net to send the giant scoreboard rolling over... AUSTRALIA 2...SCOTLAND 1.

With this magnificent victory Australia, after two rounds, goes to the top of Group A which reads as follows:

	P	F	A	Pts
Australia	2	3	2	3
Scotland	2	3	2	2
S.Korea	2	2	3	2
Mexico	2	2	3	1

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE

	AGGREGATE							HOME							AWAY						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A	P		W	D	L	F	A	P	
PRESTON	12	7	4	1	21	9	25	5	1	0	12	3	16		2	3	1	9	6	9	
NEWCASTLE	11	6	3	2	19	8	21	3	3	0	8	2	12		3	—	2	11	6	9	
SYDNEY CITY	11	5	4	3	17	16	19	3	3	0	10	3	12		2	1	3	7	13	7	
ST GEORGE	11	5	3	3	11	8	18	4	2	0	9	4	13		1	1	3	2	4	4	
LEICHHARDT	11	5	2	4	18	13	17	4	1	0	12	3	13		1	1	4	6	10	4	
HEIDELBERG	12	4	5	3	10	9	17	4	1	1	8	2	13		—	4	2	2	7	4	
ADELAIDE CITY	12	5	2	5	13	15	17	3	1	1	7	5	10		2	1	4	6	10	7	
BRISBANE CITY	11	4	4	3	16	18	16	3	1	2	11	10	10		1	3	1	5	8	6	
SYDNEY OLYMPIC	11	4	3	4	14	10	15	1	1	3	6	5	4		3	2	1	8	5	11	
WEST ADELAIDE	12	4	3	5	11	13	15	3	1	3	7	7	10		1	2	2	4	6	5	
SOUTH MELBOURNE	12	4	3	5	14	18	15	2	2	2	8	8	8		2	1	3	6	10	7	
CANBERRA	12	4	2	6	20	16	14	4	1	1	15	5	13		—	1	5	5	11	1	
MARCONI	11	4	2	5	16	17	14	3	1	2	11	11	10		1	1	3	5	6	4	
BRISBANE LIONS	11	3	1	7	16	25	10	3	—	2	12	5	9		—	1	5	4	20	1	
FOOTSCRAY	12	2	4	6	8	23	10	1	2	3	4	13	5		1	2	3	4	10	5	
WOLLONGONG	11	1	5	5	15	21	8	—	4	1	6	7	4		1	1	4	9	14	4	

NSW State League side Inter-Monaro has submitted a million dollar redevelopment plan for its Marco Polo ground to Queanbeyan City Council, reports STEVE BURNS.

Announcing this today, Monaro's President, Mr Laurie Pastrello, said it was one of the biggest and most ambitious steps in the club's history.

He was confident that the plan would gain Council's approval.

"It is absolutely essential that we redevelop the ground," Mr Pastrello said.

"There will never be State League Soccer — or better — on a long-term basis in Queanbeyan if we don't improve our playing and spectator facilities".

That was amply proved by one of Monaro's biggest crowds of the year — about 1,500 for the game against Melita Eagles — with hardly enough room to accommodate them and no covered accommodation to protect them.

The redevelopment plan provides for:

- the laying of a completely new soccer pitch — possibly even with an all-weather synthetic surface;
- stands on three sides of the ground
- the erection of two tennis courts and four bocche courts
- lifting spectator facilities to easily accommodate crowds of between 5,000 and 6,000 people — in comfort.

Offering additional details, Mr Pastrello said: "To lay a new pitch we have to fill the huge area

of ground we own adjoining the existing pitch and going right back to the Queanbeyan River.

bocche courts and hopefully the first of the covered accommodation".

Mr Pastrello said that Mr De Deppo and Wollongong Constructions had proved to be a great friend not just of Monaro — but of soccer in general.

"Let's face it," he said,

have been pushing us to improve our facilities.

The next step could have been the big stick if we didn't show — and prove — what we had in mind".

And once finished there is no doubt they will be amongst the best private-

mighty team building effort in 1983.

Mr Pastrello and his enthusiastic committee deserve great credit for much of what has been achieved.

They have a dedicated player coach in Roberto Vieri, solid experience in

A MILLION BUCKS FOR MARCO POLO GROUNDS

"This will be done. The contract will be carried out by Wollongong Constructions which is owned by Mr Oswaldo De Deppo. "Mr De Deppo will bring the fill for this project from Canberra's Parliament House construction site.

"A massive amount of fill and proper drainage is required — but it can be done".

Mr Pastrello said although in normal commercial terms the total plan was a million dollar proposal, Inter-Monaro would be getting out of it "a lot cheaper than that".

Continuing, Mr Pastrello added: "We want the work to begin as quickly as possible.

"For me if it was tomorrow it wouldn't be soon enough.

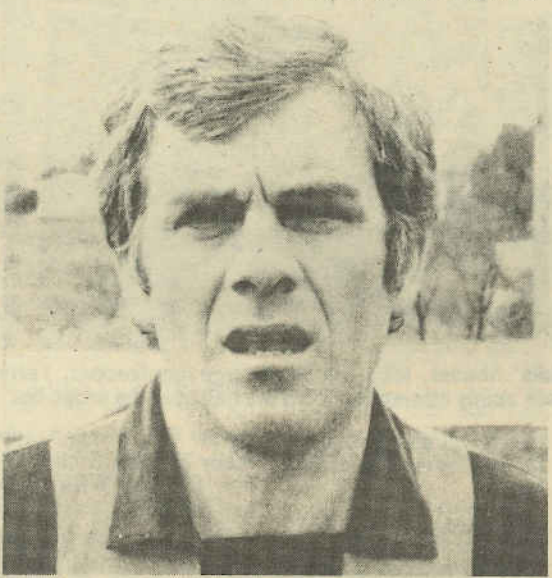
"We want the new playing pitch ready by the end of the season — and a start made on the associated facilities, certainly the tennis and

our facilities at Marco Polo are just not up to scratch.

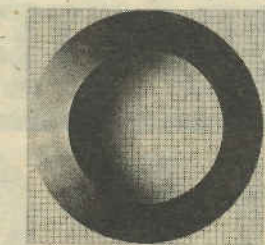
"We had to improve them. I'm not wanting to hide anything. Many people know that the NSW Soccer Federation

ly owned club facilities in the NSW League.

One also has to remember that Monaro owns five acres of land surrounding its licensed premises, the Marco Polo Club, and has begun a



Roberto Vieri: resolute



BRAVO 0-28

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bers" when discussing television fees.

Finally, they dropped out of the discussions, but 0-28, motivated by executive producer, John "Dallas" Rowley, picked up from where 7 dropped off.

It's history now that 0-28 cracked the telecast and brought in the first two matches involving Australia's games against Mexico and Scotland live. They will repeat the service again next Thursday morning at 8am when Australia play South Korea.

And, they did it all for LESS than HALF the original offer made by 7. BRAVO 0-28!

Now, what irks me, is the fact that the POOREST of all the major television networks, 0-28, never lost faith and persevered in trying to bring in the live telecasts to Australia.

Another disturbing factor is that everybody has continually ignored the fact that the Australian

public has been virtually starved of seeing this country's young heroes in action against the best in the world.

But, even far more vital was the fact that it was so critical for our Young Champions in Mexico, to KNOW that Australia was taking the match live.

Critical for the fact of them being so many thousands of miles away from home and playing in front of 110,000 wild, excited, shouting Mexicans.

So then, why wasn't TEAM MORALE ever considered by the powers to be, their marketing people and the media?

The truth of the matter is that last Thursday night in Mexico, when the players were notified that a live telecast would be going back to Australia, team morale skyrocketed.

To be brutally honest, I believe the morale aspect was NEVER considered or given priority.

Channel 0-28's Executive Producer, John Rowley, must be congratulated for not giving up hope in obtaining a telecast for Australia.

Take a bow John Rowley and 0-28.

While on the subject of handing out accolades, special mention must be made to 0-28's commentator, Mike Hill who did the commentary "cold."

Hill was rushed to the studios just two hours before the telecast started to do an "in-house" commentary after 0-28 realised that they would be getting only "international have been in Spanish.

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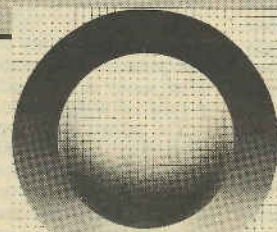
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TALE OF MISSED GOALS FOR SAINTS

By JOHN ECONOMOS

ST GEORGE squandered too many chances in the first half to be entitled to a win over Heidelberg at Barton Park on Sunday.

The match ended in a 1-1 draw, thus allowing St George to remain in the top four.

But, the Saints should have gone in at the break leading by at least three goals.

The opening 20 minutes saw both teams pushing the ball around with great enterprise with St George more to the fore.

Saints repeatedly raided deep into Heidelberg's territory down the flanks and through the middle.

Heidelberg seemed content on waiting for St George and used counter-attacks, but lacked confidence and commitment when they did go forward.

A Dez Marton free-kick curled over the top of the Heidelberg wall in the 10th minute and was easily saved by goalkeeper Jeff Oliver.

In the 18th minute, Saints hit the front.

From another free-kick taken by Marton, the ball cannoned into the wall and popped up to Ratcliffe. He headed towards goal and Robbie Slater raced in to hit home from close-range.

Shots then rained in from St George, but all either missed the target

or were saved.

Heidelberg's sweeper, Charlie Yankos did some excellent cover work for Heidelberg, but for me, St George's industrious link-man, Johnny O'Shea, was the best player on the field.

Time after time, O'Shea "screened" Heidelberg attacks coming through, giving double cover to his fellow St George players.

On the half hour mark, Saints' captain, Peter Stone, cracked a vicious 20 metre drive that clipped the top of the cross bar before ricocheting out of harms way.

Rob Vincent had to come off injured in the 32nd minute and Chilean Juan Toro came into the Heidelberg midfield from where he appeared to stimulate their play in the second half.

Just two minutes from the break, Heidelberg "balanced the books."

Peterson slung a nice cross in from the left flank into the St George penalty area to find Theo Selemidis rising high to head a lob over the top of the back-peddalling St George goalkeeper, Terry Greedy.

This goal was remarkable for the fact that it



Heidelberg's goal. Selemidis' header, lobs the St George goalkeeper, Terry Greedy, as he scrambles back vainly attempting to tip the ball over the cross-bar.

was the first one Heidelberg had scored out of Melbourne this season.

St George dominated the first half mainly due to the efforts of Stone, Slater and youngster Peter Petkovski, the St George 16-year-old from the junior ranks.

Leftback Johnny Spanos was tight on Marton and Slater and Jimmy Campbell tried two or three very long runs off the ball looking for the crosses from his team-mates.

St George could have had the winner in the 74th minute when sweeper, David Ratcliffe went up for a corner, but his strong header from 10

metres out was cleared off the line by right-back Ian McKie.

Overall, the draw seemed a fair result.

In the Heidelberg dressing rooms, coach Kenny Morton said: "I was satisfied with our performance. It was a good team effort with Yankos leading the way. Next week hopefully, our experienced Jimmy Tansey will be back in the left-pocket and Johnny Spanos will move into the midfield to give us more bite."

St George's manager, Frank Arok, was anything but happy: "We didn't deserve all the points and thus didn't get

'CHICK' BRADLEY ROASTS LIONS

They call John Bradley 'Chick' - maybe he is chicken-sized, but he is certainly not chicken-hearted.

Bradley, all 5ft 4in of him, carved up Brisbane Lions' resistance with a hat-trick for Leichhardt in their 7-2 shellacking of the 'Lions' at Pratten Park on Sunday.

The little Scot does not over-rate himself, but five goals in three games since Fil Bottalico pushed him up from the halves speaks

for itself.

The way he slips the ball hither and thither

BY KEITH GILMOUR

and then reaches scoring positions makes him one of the key men in the Leichhardt revival.

Don't be surprised if he turns out to be a latter-day 'reincarnation' of St George's one-time expert goal-poacher Steve Denton.

When it comes to skill Johan Scharmann and Tony Morsello join Bradley as being outstanding in a team that is developing as a dangerous opponent for anyone in the League.

Scharmann laid on passes for Bradley's second goal and Morsello's first, and Morsello scored another glorious goal with just a minute remaining.

The Lions produced nothing in the first half as Leichhardt ran all over them and they were down 3-0 at the break.

Nonetheless they turned on their share of the excitement by throwing all they had into attack afterwards, but overall coach Simon Kistemaker had good reason

to be a very dejected man. "Six of their seven goals were scored from positions inside the penalty box," he said, "Thank heavens that Nigel Lownes will be fit for the next game and Russell Stewart and Danny Wright will be back from Mexico."

It was Col Bennett's first match after his back injury and he will soon settle in to stiffen the defence.

Ian Gray netted first for Leichhardt in the third minute after two shots from Morsello and one from Scharmann had been blocked in a mix-up in front of goal.

Bradley collected the next two before halftime and then Alan Hunter, who had given Bradley a present for his first goal, outjumped Woodhouse to head in a corner for Lions.

Morsello knocked one in off a defender and big Bob Kelso brought the count to 4-2 when he drove in a powerful shot after replacement player Alistair Pagan had done the lead work.

From there on Leichhardt ran riot and Bradley, De Ceglie and Morsello all scored over the last 30 minutes.

LEICHHARDT: Woodhouse, Pullen, Brown, Bertogna, Mariani, Butler (De Ceglie 67m), Bradley, Gray, Morsello, Scharmann, Tredinnick.

BRISBANE LIONS: Marshall, Bennett, McClurg, Hunter, Niven, J. Stewart, Hogg, Ogden, Kelso, McDonagh, Kearton (Pagan 46m).

Referee: P. Rampley. Crowd: 2500.

RUN OF OUTS ENDS FOR WEST ADELAIDE

Referee: D. Rennie. Crowd: 2,970.

WEST ADELAIDE broke a long run of outs when it held classy Sydney City to a 1-1 draw at Hindmarsh Stadium. It was the first sign of success for West Adelaide, who had lost eight successive games against Sydney City.

West Adelaide went into attack early, but Sydney City scored first when a corner taken by Joe Watson was scrambled for a goal by David Mitchell.

The Sydney City defence, normally very solid, was panicky throughout the first half.

West Adelaide came back after the goal forcing two cor-

misses gave the well matched sides their share of the points.

NEWCASTLE: Gosling, Boogaard, Burke, Watson, Tredinnick, Channon, Cowburn, Jones, Lee, Brandt (Senkalski 77), Mountford.

ners with Steve Atsalas heading against the cross bar from the second one.

John Kosmina shot twice, but both attempts were over the cross bar, while Gerardo Gomez fired another long shot over the bar.

BY SYL PHELAN

West Adelaide went well into attack after half time and in the 53rd minute John Papazoglou crossed for Robbie Dunn to head in the equaliser.

Cautions flowed in the next 10 minutes with Chris Manou and Dunn receiving yellow cards and Steve O'Connor being cautioned for Sydney City.

West Adelaide had one more chance to score as the game came to a close when lanky Paul Wormley headed

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier, Rodgers, Jennings, Coady, Paterson, Phillips, Patalis, Kousas (Acoutas 79), Katholos, Soper, Kalantzis.

REFEREE: J. Reeves. CROWD: 4,950.

well, but it was saved by Todd Clarke.

City coach Eddie Thomson said a draw was a fair result because West Adelaide were always a hard team to beat at home.

"I was disappointed in the referee, but at least he was fair to both sides," Thomson said.

Alan Vest, West Adelaide coach said: "We deserved to win - not draw. We had much of the play and their goal was a sloppy one."

Vest agreed with Thomson that some of the referee's decisions were doubtful, but said neither side profited from them.

WEST ADELAIDE: C r o o k, Papazoglou, McGachey, Dunn, McGregor, Atsalas, Heys, Honeyman, Wormley, Manou.

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke, Cant, Bruce, O'Connor, Robertson, Gomez, Kay, Watson, Kosmina, Barnes (Murray 72), Mitchell.

REFEREE: T. Martell. CROWD: 3,000.

OLYMPIC MISSING PUNCH...

FORMER England and West Ham manager Ron Greenwood summed up the game between Newcastle KB Raiders and Sydney Olympic at the Sports Centre by emphasising that contentment took over from adventurous play with the result that all too few real goal scoring chances were created.

And, it is Olympic who must shoulder some of the blame.

Where is all that exciting flair that Tommy Docherty has invariably injected into teams under his command? It was strangely absent from this workman-like, but punchless Olympic side.

Has Docherty also slumped into that blight on Australian Soccer of putting top priority on not losing rather than placing emphasis on winning matches?

How else can one understand a line up which includes match-winning winger Graham Jennings at left back, potential goal scorer Steve Paterson at centreback and former World Youth Cup star Mark Koussas in a defensive midfield role.

Newcastle coach Ken Kaiser slotted guest player Mick Channon into the midfield in place of suspended captain Craig Mason.

Channon's actual duties were, at times, difficult to fathom.

He appeared almost anchored in centre field and was rarely seen as an attacking player. Not one shot came from the boot which has scored hundreds of goals in the top echelon of Soccer around the world.

He showed his undoubted class with his ability to read the game in advance and applied many clever touches in a subdued performance.

The return of Mason next Saturday against Marconi will no doubt allow Channon to move forward and adopt a roving commission possibly in place of promising youngster Simon Brandt.

Goals are not coming easily this season to Olympic's expensive purchase Marshall Soper.

Soper, a raw-boned Newcastle district product, was immediately in the bad books

of referee Jim Reeves when he clashed heavily in the opening minute to earn a yellow card.

Soper tried hard throughout, but got little change out of Newcastle's tough defensive duo Gary Watson and Peter Burke, who have knitted the backline together to such an extent that only eight goals have been conceded in 11 matches.

Together with fullback pairing of Michael Boogaard and Howard Tredinnick, Newcastle looked confident and supreme at the rear, but over-anxiety and lack of cool, studied play in attack caused many breakdowns.

One exception was midfielder Bret Cowburn, who always appeared to have time to control the ball and transfer to advantage, in contrast to the more hurried movements of his team-mates.

Youngster Clint Gosling improves with every game in

the Newcastle goal as was seen when he nonchalantly finger-tipped the ball over the cross bar after a fine header by Chris Kalantzis early in the match.

Bob Mountford, skipper for the day, should have put Newcastle ahead in the 15th minute when he pivoted smartly but fired the ball straight at goalkeeper Gary Meier from 10 metres.

Just before half time an awkward deflection off the boot of Newcastle defender Burke almost found his own net.

Former Coffs Harbour youngster Gary Phillips was one of Olympic's better players, showing plenty of initiative and generally curbing Channon's ability.

In the second half Channon was given much more latitude in the middle and was responsible for setting up some promising movements which should have resulted in better.

Twenty minutes from the end the woodwork saved Newcastle when a well-struck effort from Terry Patalis evaded Gosling, but the ball rebounded back into play.

In the closing stages Newcastle worked hard for the match-winning goal, but a series of frustrating near-

ROUND UP



BRISBANE City continued their slide down the National League table after a disappointing 3-0 defeat at home by Sydney Olympic.

If City were to halt their recent slump and return to be title contenders this was the perfect chance as Sydney Olympic had all the odds stacked against them.

Not only did they have a hard game against Newcastle the previous day, but they had to travel to Brisbane with no substitutes and without several of their key players.

Missing were the mid-field stars Katholos, Ras-kopoulos and Patikas and solid defenders Tony Dakos and Ricky Herbert.

Indeed the first scoring opportunity fell to Brisbane City when Gary Bromfield was given a free header at the near post off a Pimblett corner, but his effort rebounded off the upright to safety.

Tommy Docherty's boys showed character and style to withold the early pressure and then dominate proceedings with some good approach play.

The first goal came after 36 minutes when Gary Phillips played a short free kick to Steve Paterson and the former striker, now playing in defence hit an unstoppable shot from 30 metres which flew into the top left hand corner.

This was the first clear cut opportunity that Olympic had.

Brisbane City came out after the interval looking more determined and considering their usual second half displays they were still in with a chance.

A back header by Frank

F. Liddell in an aerial battle with Sydney Olympic's striker Marshall Super



CITY ON THE DOWN

Liddell off a long throw in could have caused problems but the ball was allowed to go through the six yard box with no-one on hand to take advantage.

A through ball by Gary Phillips in the 53rd minute put Marshall Soper clear with only the 'keeper to beat. As he attempted to round Wishart, the big 'keeper lunged at him and referee Kibbler had no alternative but to award a penalty.

Wishart was concussed from the collision however and had to be

stretched off the field. Left back Billy Wilkinson was given the job between the posts but Soper had no difficulty beating him from the penalty spot to put Olympic ahead 2-0.

With their confidence rising and facing an inexperienced 'keeper Olympic continued to apply pressure and were rewarded in the 59th minute.

Mark Koussas intercepted a bad pass and with a clear run at goal had no difficulty scoring.

It was not until the last few minutes that City played the exciting at-

tacking football they are capable of.

Angelo Falco had two clear cut chances but failed to find the target on both occasions.

Billy Williamson's shot from outside the area hit the post and in the last minute Graham Jennings was on hand to clear off the line from a Gary Bromfield header.

It was unfortunate for City to lose their goal-keeper, but overall they did not do anywhere near enough to win this game.

Marshall Soper showed the form that should ensure his place in the Aus-

THE SPONSORS of Canberra City, Lotto Management Service Pty Ltd, came to Connor reserve and succeeded in pleasing the folks with some of their promotion girls.

The first full game, after a long layoff, for Canberra's star player Tony Brennan augured well for their chances of doing well against League leaders Preston.

Early exploration by Canberra found the Preston defence ready and willing and they had few opportunities to score.

Brennan gave MacLaren the best chance at the

BY JOCK STEPHEN

14th minute, but Richard Wilson saved well.

David Jones had a rock like grip in mid defence and Ilioski with Opasinis held tight. Preston soaked up the Canberra pressure for the first 20 minutes and then swung into attack.

A Campbell corner was headed on by Jones for Gary Ward to climb high and nod the ball down right at the post for an exciting goal.

Zarko Odzakovic went solo in a big run in the 27th minute but ran out of steam when it was shooting time.

Canberra's attack was now carrying more authority with Brennan and the two Brynes' exerting pressure.

The second half developed into a great struggle with each side at their top. A Terry Byrne effort at 50 minutes had Wilson stretching to save.

George Campbell was turning on his special brand of wizardry and a Ward effort was cleared upfield by John Walsh, much to Steve Hoszowski's delight.

A Brennan pass to Ian Gibson went begging on the hour and then it was Preston's turn at 62 minutes when Ward gave Claude Lucchesi the opportunity and he duly converted.

Canberra were still trying to breakthrough after this setback and Preston were holding on with good counter-attacking. Canberra pushed forward in the dying moments. A Gary Byrne shot at 77 minutes and a bold effort from substitute Perinovic at 89 minutes kept the game going right up until the finish.

Canberra coach George Murray said two mistakes cost his side two goals. He thought that the teams

were evenly matched. Preston's Peter Ollerton felt that Canberra had played the game right up to Preston and he appreciated the fact that it is goals that count.

The best players for Preston were Opasinis, Ilioski, Jones and Lucchesi.

For Canberra young Terry Byrne and Brennan were the best.

PRESTON: Wilson, Opasinis, Flavell, Ilioski, Jones, Ollerton, Campbell, Lucchesi, McMillan, Odzakovic, Ward.
CANBERRA: Hoszowski, Matsopoulos, Walsh, G Byrne, Murray (Perinovic 75th), Young, T Byrne, Bryant, Brennan, MacLaren, Gibson.

RESULTS

St George 1 (Slater) drew with Heidelberg 1 (Selemidis) at St George Stadium. Crowd: 2970.

Wollongong 1 (O'Connor) drew with Footscray 1 (Carroll) at Corrimal. Crowd: 1200.

Sydney Olympic 3 (Patterson Soper Koussas) b Brisbane City 0 at Spencer Park. Crowd: 3000.

Leichhardt 7 (Bradley 3 Morsello 2 Gray De Ceglie) b Brisbane Lions 2 (Hunter Kelso) at Pratten Park. Crowd: 2500.

Preston 2 (Ward Lucchesi) b Canberra 0 at Connor Reserve. Crowd: 3000.

West Adelaide 1 (Dunn) drew with Sydney City 1 (Mitchell) at Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd: 2000.

South Melbourne 2 (Crino Bozinovski) b Adelaide City 1 (Melta) at Middle Park. Crowd: 3200.

NEXT WEEK

WOLLONGONG

V ADELAIDE CITY

SOUTH MELBOURNE FOR HARD BATTLE...

BY CON NICOLOPOLOUS

SOUTH Melbourne scored an unimpressive but morale-boosting 2-1 win over Adelaide City at Middle Park.

However, their second home win for the season did not cancel their plans to recruit Sydney City ace striker, David Mitchell.

Club president Leo Anezakis stated after the game: "My club will make another bid for Mitchell during the week."

South's coach Rale Rasic continued his experiment in search of a winning formation; Doug Brown and Steve Wooddin were dropped for the game to make space for Arthur Xanthopoulos, back from an injury, and World Cup veteran Branko Buljevic.

The additions caused an extensive reshuffle as Davidson was assigned midfield duties and Ken Murphy joined Buljevic and Egan in the forward line.

A further reshuffle of the team became necessary after 20 minutes

when Xanthopoulos left the field injured and was replaced by Vlatko Bozinovski.

In spite of the changes South Melbourne failed to muster the midfield, the area of the park from where Adelaide City mounted most of their attacks. Here, Sergio Melta dominated for Adelaide City, easily breaking through South's weak guard.

South Melbourne attempted to surprise their opponents in the opening minutes with some fierce attacks, but City's defence repelled them with considerable ease.

City did their share of attacking in the first quarter and were unlucky not to grab the lead in the 11th minute when Mullen's shot was cleared off the line by Steve Blair.

South Melbourne hit the lead 35 minutes into

the game with a gift goal from City's outstanding sweeper Neil Banfield. He failed to pass the ball back to his goalkeeper allowing Crino to take control of it and hammer it into the net.

City missed another opportunity to score five minutes before half time when Mullen connected with a header and shot wide of the post.

City were eventually rewarded with an equaliser when Leslie Carter collected a loose ball in the middle, pushed it forward and crossed in the area where an unmarked Melta had no difficulties beating Laumets with a powerful shot.

The second half developed into a scrappy affair with players from both sides chasing legs rather than the ball. These unacceptable attitudes caused a lot of clashes forcing the referee to hand out yellow cards.

South's winning goal came in the 74th minute when Charlie Egan took a free kick and lobbed the

ball in the area for Bozinovski. The youngster rose to head the ball into the net, wide of City's goalkeeper Willie McNally.

City created enough opportunities to level the score, but failed to get that important break mainly because of desperate defence by South Melbourne.

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Laumets, Russell, Xanthopoulos (Bozinovski 20), Blair, Davidson, Halford, Murphy, Crino, Buljevic, Yzendoorn, Egan.

ADELAIDE CITY: McNally, Cole, Dods, Banfield, Nyskohous, Melta, Blair, Carter, Rankin, Mullen, Vallini.

WALLACE DISAPPOINTED

WOLLONGONG City coach Willy Wallace said he was bitterly disappointed with the attitude of "certain players" in his side after they had been held to a 1-1 draw by Footscray at Ziem's Park.

Wallace said he will be taking action during the week to see he has players on the field who are willing to try for the full 90 minutes.

"The players I refer to just didn't try at all today and as far as I'm concerned I will bring in kids from the youth team to take their place," Wallace said.

"That is one game we should have won and won easily because I don't rate Footscray at all."

As far as Wollongong were concerned the worst possible thing happened when Footscray scored in the first minute and from

then on were quite happy to drop men back into defence.

Jock Carroll got the goal when City goalkeeper

BY PHIL MURPHY

Jim Preston had partly cleared a Footscray attack. Carroll was left with plenty of time to pick his spot and made no mistake from six metres.

Roy Cotton and Larry Gaffney then sent headers just wide of the Footscray goal as the home side went after an equaliser.

It didn't come until the 27th minute after Phil Kerr did particularly well

pushing forward on the left wing.

He crossed the ball to Jim McBreen, who had his shot for goal handled by a defender before O'Connor scored from close range.

Referee Richard Lorenc quite rightly hesitated long enough to allow O'Connor the advantage.

In the second half Wollongong were "camped" in the Footscray half with Cotton and McBreen both missing great chances after O'Connor did all the spade work.

Footscray relied solely on fast breaks out of defence and Carroll had a

great chance to make it 2-0 after running half the length of the field unchallenged, but he shot wide.

O'Connor was undoubtedly the man of the match, but once again his non-stop effort largely went to waste because he lacked support.

WOLLONGONG: Preston, Willis, Dunleavy, Ainsworth, Kerr, McBreen, Gaffney, Dickson, Green, O'Connor, Cotton.

FOOTSCRAY: Boland, Cvrovic, Hazabdent, Kyriakoulas, Tutill, Bellich, Taylor, Carroll, McDonald, Purdie (Simic 87), Lovic.

CROWD: 2103.
REFEREE: Richard Lorenc.

FOUR WITH MUCH CLASS

THE weekend round of Premier league matches should see the four leading teams go further ahead of their challengers. Olympic United, Eastern Suburbs, Mount Gravatt and Grange Thistle look to have too much class for their opponents.

Olympic, clear leaders at the half-way point, have continued to improve since their 3-2 victory over North Star. North Star will again have their hands full containing the goalscoring abilities of Craig Low, Tommy McGregor and Andy Ogden. An Olympic victory appears likely.

Grange Thistle are at home to bottom of the table Brisbane City and are expected to again dominate as they did in the earlier 4-1 victory. Kenny Swan caused Brisbane City so much trouble scoring twice and having a strong game overall.

Ironically, City's negotiations for Swan's transfer at that time fell through. Brisbane City are continuing their efforts to sign players as a back-up to their National League

squad and must be delighted with the news that Thistles star midfielder Steve Dolan is in doubt with injury problems. Thistle appear to have too much experience to let this game slip through their fingers. Garth Moloney will be keen to add to his impressive goal tally.

The free-scoring Mt Gravatt forwards, who scored six against Taringa in the first round, are again expected to be too classy and experienced for the generous Taringa defence. Gary Bohan and Craig Dickson are in superlative form.

Eastern Suburbs, away to Valley Trident, probably have the hardest task of the top four, particularly with the news that Tony Bright, the speedy goalscoring striker

and rugged defender Leon Wilson could be out of Easts line-up through injury. However, Valleys have still not got their act together (despite their potential) and with Jeff Dolan so dominant in the Easts defense a surprise result is unlikely.

One of the teams putting pressure on the leaders is Ipswich United and they are away to Acacia Ridge. In the previous round the Ridge defense had to absorb a lot of pressure and it was only the brilliance of state squad goalkeeper Robbie Farrow that kept the score down to 2-1. With Farrow out injured, Ipswich are entitled to fancy their chances.

The team is better than their mid-table position suggests and with coach Bob Butchard keen to motivate his players for this match an upset is possible.

Brisbane Lions, another team with top-four aspirations, have a difficult game against an improving Sunnyside

AMBROSINO SYMPATICO, BUT NOW AN AUSSIE

UP-AND-COMING NSL star defender Angleo Ambrosino is back from Italy — and five full games with fourth division club Saviano — and smiling not just because of the invaluable soccer lessons learned but also ending forever the vexed cultural cross-pollination of youngsters born in one country but brought up in another.

"The trip reinforced for me that I am Australian — not Italian, the place of my birth," Angelo said. "But I am — and always will be — what Italians call sympatico ... very close to their cultural traditions and values".

But Ambrosino, who last year made a big impression as a 20-year-old in his first NSL season with Canberra Arrows, was unable to play with the club that initially wanted him — third division side, Mestre.

Why? "The Italian Soccer Federation strictly enforces the overseas player rule for all first, second and third division clubs.

"Each can play only a maximum of two overseas born players," Ambrosino said.

"Mestre was at its quota limit — but no such limit applied at the fourth division level.

Ambrosino said in Saviano he was, of course, a local personality — and although he played but five games he was also a

substitute for six others but didn't get to play.

"The game is not as fast as here or as constant — or as physical," he said, "but the demands for skills, individual skills, are much higher.

"Every player has to be able to make the ball work for him". But off the field it was different. Ambrosino, of course, speaks Italian fluently, but the way one conducts oneself is so much different.

He explained: "The level of personal freedom youngsters of my age expect in Australia just isn't possible in Italy," he said. "And I'd say things instinctively that young Italians would say — particularly to their peers."

"I came to Australia when I was five years old and my values, my norms, my traditions are Australian," he said.

Now he's back and raring to go again in the NSL.

"I want to regain my place," he said. "I want to play for the Arrows who knows maybe one day for Australia".



"And in any case Saviano is my home town and my family are now back in Italy".

But Ambrosino said he learned greatly from

OLYMPIA HUMBLER MIGHTY JUVENTUS

BY "VAN DIEMEN"

OLYMPIA kept alive its title hopes in Tasmania's Cadbury State League by defeating league leaders Juventus-Pioneer 2-0.

It was Juventus' first league defeat of the season and came as a surprise as the Italian outfit had easily beaten Croatia, complete with their three new signings from Sydney (Hammoud, Hassan and Meerbani), 3-0 the previous week.

The Greek side took the lead in the 21st minute when Hey went on a long run from defence before passing wide to Forster who fired home from an acute angle. The wild reaction to this goal from the Greek fans almost lifted the roof from the Grove Road stand!

Olympia had further chances and continued to dominate play, but the second goal didn't come until three minutes into injury time when Forster was brought down and Pe-

ter Sherman scored from the penalty spot.

The win was a vital one for Olympia as a loss would have put them six points adrift of the leading team.

White Eagles lost their coach and the match when they went down 2-0 to champions Rapid-Wrest Point. Eugene Mycak resigned following the defeat and White Eagles remains anchored at the foot of the table.

Croatia thrashed University 6-1 with Sydney imports Hammoud and Hassan each scoring a goal. This win keeps Croatia a point behind Juventus as the league enters its second round.

Metro-Claremont showed a return to form in beating Caledonians 3-2 and their prize was a place in the 'top four'.

STANDINGS:	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
JUVENTUS	7	6	0	1	18	6	12
CROATIA	7	5	1	1	19	10	11
OLYMPIA	7	4	2	1	18	14	10
METRO	7	2	2	3	13	11	6
RAPID	7	2	2	3	10	16	6
CALEDONIANS	7	2	1	4	12	24	5
UNIVERSITY	7	2	0	5	11	17	4
WHITE EAGLES	7	1	0	6	8	2	2

playing in Italian soccer. "Everything was different," he said. "They train differently and expect and demand different things of different players.

"For example, we spent much more time and set plays and shooting, par-

Australian and Italian games were world's apart — even at fourth division level.

"For me, as a defender — or midfielder — the big difference was the great emphasis on defensive play.

"They will do anything, and I mean anything, to stop a player scoring ... and that includes the professional foul, shirt pulling and the tightest man-to-man marking I've ever been involved in.

"But some of the lessons learned in relation to man-to-man marking would be valuable anywhere."

And Ambrosino didn't have to return — even though it is now the Italian close-season.

"They wanted me to stay," he said.

"And it was tempting — but I yearned to come back to Australia. I want to play and live here."

particularly the latter. "I was expected to be able to chime into attack and shoot."

Ambrosino continued by explaining that the

all the rain cause havoc with fixtures recently.

Leading up to United's away game with Revesby in Sydney, Ashbolt was left without his three recognised strikers, Peter Beggs and the Giraldi brothers, Paul and Frank.

Beggs was working in Newcastle and couldn't get away while Roberto Giraldi was getting married that day and his brother was attending the wedding.

"It was a real relief to hear that game was called off because of the rain," Ashbolt said.

Progressive Greek-backed club Aris have a new coach. Jim Cannon has taken over the job from Eddie Mullan.

Cannon has been with the club for two years but most of the season he had been trying to get a transfer to Wollongong United.

★★★ Premier League leaders West-Figtree have "imported" striker, Terry O'Neill back on deck after a lengthy injury.

O'Neill is in Wollongong for six months in his job and Figtree didn't hesitate to sign him when he came to training.

A talented ball player, O'Neill will be a very good foil for the speed of Rob Noakes and John Sokoloski.

COAST CHALLENGE

A CONVINCING 6-0 win over Tamworth City kept Central Coast in a challenging position in the Northern NSW Soccer Series.

Striker Paul Courbett led the way with three goals at Tamworth in a fine performance with good support from Jim Bryden and Lloyd Tate.

Early goals by Caro Lochrin and Derek Todd snuffed out any hope Belmont-Swansea United had of surprising League leaders Adamstown Rosebuds.

Todd's goal in the 17th minute was a brilliant solo effort in which he shrugged off two tackles then side-stepped goalkeeper Danny Chard before placing the ball into goal.

Belmont's Brad Jones missed a great chance in the 63rd minute when he lobbed the ball over the cross bar with only 'keeper Steve Dorman to beat.

A remarkable closing onslaught produced three goals at Whitebridge where Highfield Azzurri defeated keen rivals Hamilton Red Stars.

Red Star had looked the

BY MYLES HAY

more composed side in the first half, but missed three easy chances of beating Azzurri goalkeeper Bill Lanz.

In the second half Azzurri's experienced defender Peter Fairleigh twice cleared on his goal line before clever young winger Neil Robertson scored a memorable opening goal 15 minutes from the end.

Robertson started off a constructive move, then was in position to finish off with a rasping drive

past Red Star goalkeeper Diage Slavkovski.

A clever goal by Andy Johns carried Weston to a hard-fought 1-0 win over Lake Macquarie while West Wallsend were shocked by the lowly-placed Maitland at Johnston Park.



RESULTS

Maitland 1 (Cowburn) beat West Wallsend 0; Adamstown 2 (Lochrin, Todd) beat Belmont-Swansea 0; Weston (Johns) beat Lake Macquarie 0; Highfield Azzurri 3 (Robertson 2 Kerby) beat Hamilton Red Star 0; Central Coast 6 (Corbett 3 Drysdale Bryden Stowell) beat Tamworth City 0.

LAST Sunday was an important day for Illawarra soccer. Coaches from the area assembled with the district judiciary.

Judiciary spokesman, Derek Hart called for the summit meeting because the disciplinary record of local clubs was becoming a joke.

Last season more than 100 players were sent off in the three divisions and the current trend was identical.

Hart said seven players were given their marching orders on one day before he called for the meeting.

"This is ridiculous and we have to do something concrete to stop it increasing," Hart said.

"We let the coaches know exactly what we think of the disciplinary scene and how they can help stamp out the misbehaviour.

"Now we can just await the results in the next month or so and see if the meeting was worthwhile."

Coaches gave an assurance they will try to improve their players' manners, but only time will tell.

In the first eight weeks, Helensburgh and Warrawong United led the judiciary "hit parade" with four send-offs apiece.

Hardly a record to be proud of ...

★★★

Dean Gardiner has been transferred back to Bellambi from Wollongong United and should be a big asset to the Premier League side.

Gardiner won't be around too long as he is going overseas in six weeks.

Bellambi coach John Frew is hoping Gardiner can hammer in a few goals before he leaves and

help his old club move up the table.

"We need to string a few three-pointers together in a hurry to get in the top four," he said.

"The new rule allows a club to move up quickly if they can win a few games and goal-scoring has been where we have been falling down."

Bellambi's young side surprised many people last season when they qualified for the final.

★★★

A major row could be brewing between Wollongong City Council and Illawarra Soccer Association.

Illawarra fixtures are in chaos at present because of wash-outs and the council haven't been too co-operative.

Recently they called all

games off as early as Thursday afternoon and in some cases grounds were playable by the weekend.

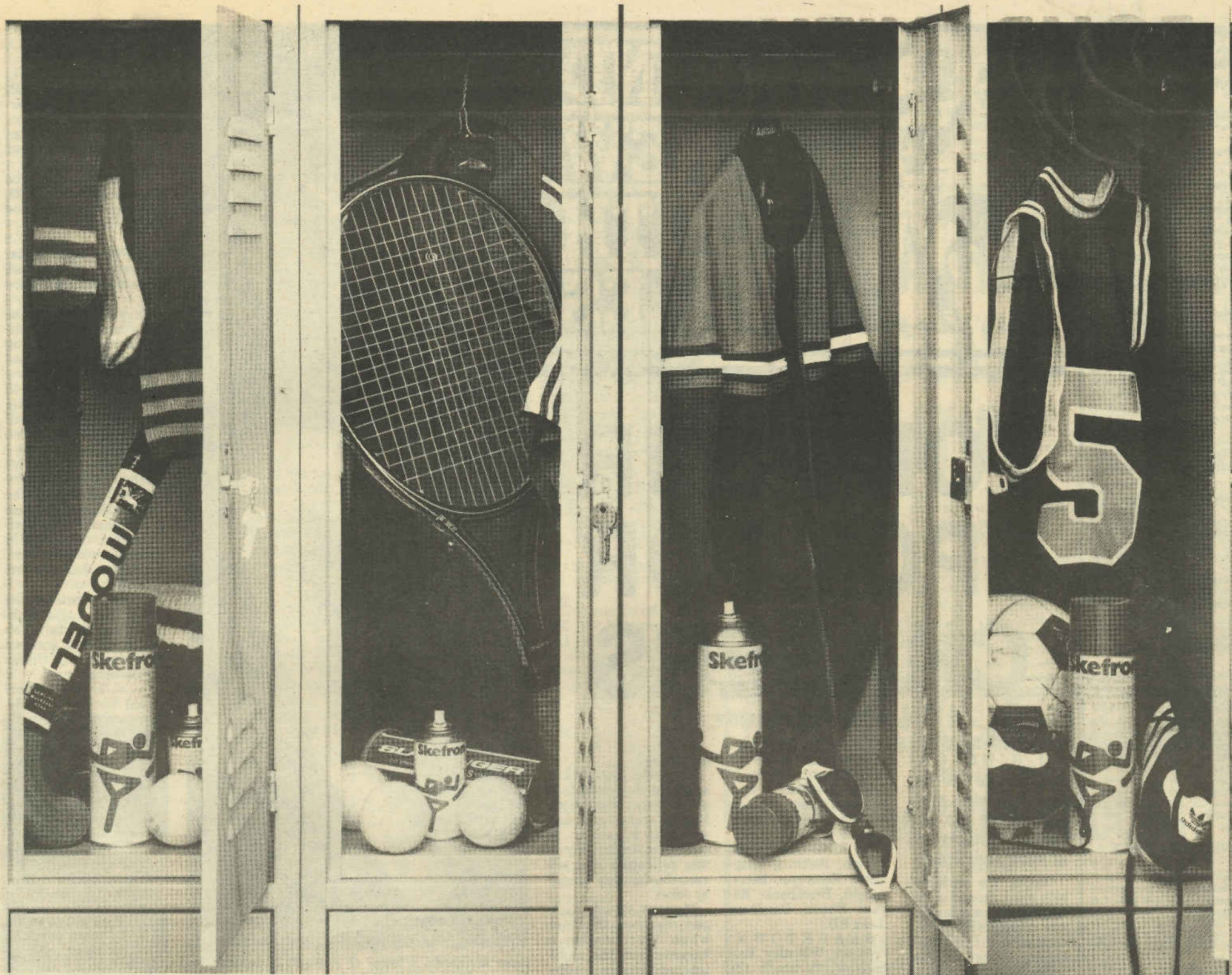
ISA secretary Harry Brown wasn't amused, particularly as before the season started he received a letter from council saying the Soccer people should use their own discretion on wash-outs.

"They told us to make up our own minds whether games should be played and we were prepared to have experienced referees check grounds," Brown said.

"The next thing I know games are called off on a Thursday and that weekend we had a double header (Saturday and Sunday) for the first division clubs."

Strangely, Fairy

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NSW TABLES

DIVISION 1 - GRADE 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Blacktown*	11	8	0	3	24	11	16
Croftia*	10	7	2	1	18	5	16
Melita*	11	7	1	3	20	7	15
Ku-Ring-Gai*	11	5	4	2	15	11	14
Avala	12	5	4	3	16	13	14
Manly*	10	5	3	2	15	12	13
Sutherland*	10	5	2	3	15	11	12
Manly*	9	5	2	2	15	12	12
Inter-Monaro	12	4	3	5	18	17	11
Yugal	10	3	3	4	11	14	9
Cant-M'ville	11	3	1	7	13	20	7
Polonia*	9	1	3	5	9	21	5
Bankstown*	12	1	2	9	14	31	4
Auburn*	9	1	0	8	12	27	2

DIVISION 1 - GRADE 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Blacktown*	11	9	2	0	29	8	20
Melita*	11	7	3	1	18	18	17
Sutherland*	10	8	0	2	25	7	16
Ku-Ring-Gai*	9	5	4	1	24	7	14
Manly*	11	6	2	3	26	12	14
Bankstown*	11	5	4	2	22	17	14
Croftia*	10	4	3	3	17	14	11
Avala	12	3	3	6	22	27	9
Auburn*	9	3	1	5	16	21	7
Cant-M'ville*	11	3	1	7	13	27	7
Yugal*	10	2	1	7	9	36	5
Polonia*	10	0	2	8	5	28	2
Inter-Monaro	12	0	2	10	8	34	2

DIVISION 1 - GRADE 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Cant-M'ville*	10	7	3	0	21	5	17
Manly*	10	6	1	3	27	11	13
Sutherland*	9	6	0	3	26	12	12
Blacktown*	10	4	4	2	20	11	12
Melita*	10	4	4	2	16	11	12
Polonia*	9	6	0	3	10	14	12
Croftia*	8	2	4	2	15	12	8
Bankstown*	9	2	3	4	13	14	7
Auburn*	8	2	3	3	12	20	7
Ku-Ring-Gai*	9	2	2	5	10	18	6
Avala	11	2	1	8	13	29	5
Yugal*	9	0	1	8	6	32	1

DIVISION 2 - GRADE 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Fairy Meadow*	12	7	3	2	21	14	18
Rockdale*	12	8	1	4	25	16	17
W'gong Utd	12	6	4	2	20	10	16
Gladesville*	10	7	2	1	21	13	16
Warr-N'been*	10	6	3	1	20	8	15
Penrith Utd	12	4	5	3	20	14	13
Artarmon*	11	6	0	5	23	17	12
Dee Why*	11	5	2	4	19	20	12
Rev Workers*	10	3	5	2	19	14	11
Nth Bankstown*	10	3	1	6	17	16	7
Parra City	13	1	5	7	10	28	7
Blacktown Utd*	10	2	2	6	9	12	6
Uni of NSW*	12	1	3	8	8	19	5
Belmore*	11	0	2	9	6	38	2

DIVISION 2 - GRADE 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
W'gong Utd*	12	8	1	3	31	22	17
Fairy Meadow*	11	7	3	2	28	13	17
Gladesville*	9	6	3	0	30	4	15
Rev Workers*	10	7	0	3	31	12	14
Warr-N'been*	10	5	4	1	20	7	14
Parra City	13	6	2	5	19	26	14
Penrith Utd*	11	6	1	4	27	13	13
Rockdale*	12	4	1	7	27	25	9
Nth Bankstown*	9	3	3	3	14	17	9
Uni of NSW	13	3	2	8	10	33	8
Artarmon*	11	3	1	7	18	29	8
Blacktown Utd*	10	2	2	6	13	23	6
Belmore*	12	2	2	8	14	32	6
Dee Why*	11	2	1	8	8	24	5

DIVISION 2 - GRADE 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Fairy Meadow*	11	10	0	1	46	12	20
Penrith Utd*	10	8	0	2	34	13	17
Uni of NSW	13	7	3	3	24	15	17
Dee Why*	11	7	2	2	23	13	16
Parra City	13	6	2	5	17	19	14
Rockdale*	12	5	3	4	15	20	13
Blacktown Utd*	10	4	3	3	20	20	11
Gladesville*	9	3	4	2	20	16	10
Nth Bankstown*	9	4	0	5	19	20	8
Warr-N'been*	10	3	2	5	16	20	8
Artarmon*	11	3	2	6	23	33	8
Belmore*	12	1	3	8	12	25	5
W'gong Utd*	11	1	3	7	11	24	5
Rev Workers*	10	1	0	9	6	34	2

DIVISION 3 - GRADE 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Nth Ryde	10	7	1	2	19	9	15
Bathurst 75*	9	6	1	2	17	6	13
Mt Druitt Twm*	8	4	3	1	11	8	11
Queens Park ES*	7	5	1	1	16	6	11
C'town City*	8	4	3	1	19	10	11
Gladesville Hby*	9	3	2	4	11	13	8
Bondi Marine*	7	2	2	3	13	8	6
L'pool Albion*	8	1	4	3	10	12	6
Kingsford*	6	2	2	2	9	14	6
Lane Cove Utd*	8	2	1	5	10	22	5
CSI*	8	1	0	7	8	24	2
B'kham Hills*	8	1	0	7	8	24	2

DIVISION 3 - GRADE 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
C'town City*	8	6	2	0	19	8	14
Nth Ryde	10	5	2	3	17	16	12
Mt Druitt Twm*	8	5	1	2	18	10	11
Gladesville Hby*	9	4	2	3	15	16	10
Bondi Marine*	7	3	2	2	15	10	8
Baulkham Hills*	8	2	4	2	15	15	8
CSI*	7	3	1	3	9	10	7
L'pool Albion*	8	3	1	4	9	7	7
Lane Cove Utd*	8	2	2	4	13	15	6
Queens Park ES*	7	1	3	3	10	12	5
Bathurst 75*	9	1	2	6	10	18	4
Kingsford*	6	0	3	3	5	18	3

DIVISION 3 - GRADE 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Gladesville Hby*	9	8	1	0	27	6	17
C'town City*	8	7	0	1	25	7	14
Baulkham Hills*	8	5	2	1	21	5	12
Queens Park ES*	7	4	1	2	21	7	9
CSI*	8	4	1	3	19	20	9
Bathurst*	8	2	2	4	10	15	6
L'pool Albion*	8	3	0	5	17	10	7
Kingsford*	6	3	1	2	8	10	7
Mt Druitt Twm*	8	2	1	5	11	19	5
Bondi Marine*	7	2	1	4	10	18	5
Nth Ryde	10	1	1	8	17	28	3
Lane Cove Utd*	8	0	1	7	4	53	1



TOP FOUR SPOT FOR CHASERS

By ANDREW PASCHALIDIS

KU-RING-GAI moved into the top four following their convincing 2-0 victory over Blacktown at Parklands Oval.

Despite the conditions both sides showed a willingness to attack. This was highlighted by the constant use of long balls to set up attacking moves. Blacktown had a major share of possession as a result of a flow of free-kicks their way. Indeed, three Ku-Ring-Gai players were booked for back-charging.

The first half remained scoreless due to some strong defence from both teams. Ku-Ring-Gai had the better of the early exchanges with Berry having two opportunities to put his team ahead. This first, with the goal at his mercy, was sprayed wide and his second chance was blocked off the line.

Blacktown started the second half in a much more determined mood. Stoddart and McLaughlin were effective in attack, but the back four of Ku-Ring-Gai were equal to the task.

Despite Blacktown's early second half pressure it was the Chasers who took the lead after 75 minutes. A cracking low drive from Knight was deflected by Freeman and Davidson was there to slot home the rebound.

Eaton made it 2-0 after he ran on to a Regan pass and drove it into goal.

Blacktown tried hard to get back into the game. A shot from McLaughlin was saved at point blank range by Curtis. The rebound was headed towards goal by Walker but Curtis brilliantly leapt up and tapped it over the bar.

Ku-Ring-Gai were well served by Curtis in goal, Bertram in defence, Knight in midfield and Davidson up front.

Rasmussen (before his substitution), Pointer in defence, Stoddart in midfield and McLaughlin up front stood out for Blacktown.

KU-RING-GAI: Curtis, Kevern, Bertram, Hammond, Robertson, Berry, Knight, Brockbank, Regan, Eaton, Davidson (Leak 82).

BLACKTOWN: Freeman, Wheatley, Rasmussen (Turnbull 42), Selva, Pointer, Brogan, Stoddart, McLaughlin, Walker, Quarmby, Kirwan.

GOALS: Ku-Ring-Gai (Davidson 75, Eaton 80).

equalising.

Both sides continued to attack in the second half and it wasn't long before Manly were rewarded with the equaliser. A cross from Keith Falconer was delicately chipped over the Monaro 'keeper by Jones.

Monaro struck back and regained the lead when Vieri started a movement on the right side and his cross was driven home by Reis.

However, with seconds remaining Smith equalised for Manly after he latched on to a loose ball in a goalmouth scramble



Alan Reis grabbed two vital goals for Inter-Monaro in their 2-2 draw against Manly.

INTER-MONARO and Manly fought out a tense 2-2 draw in an entertaining battle at Marco Polo Oval.

From the outset Monaro looked for goals and they could have been at least two-upside the first 10 minutes.

However, they were eventually took the lead after Steven fouled Reis inside the area. Reis made no mistake from the spot.

Manly regained composure after this setback and started to push forward in the hope of

and tucked it home.

Manly can be pleased with taking a point away from Marco Polo. Jones in the midfield and Smith up front were their best players.

For Monaro Reis was always a danger up front and Lawler played with determination in the midfield.

INTER-MONARO: Curcic, Charles, Arquero, Santolin, Francis, Willox, Monterosso (Vieri 45), Lawler, Godzik, Macleod, Reis.

MANLY: Cassattari,



Dave McIntosh: a tower of strength in defence for Yugal in their surprise 1-0 win over Croatia.

Geoghegan, Doyle, K. Falconer, Scott, Jones, Steven, Sherman, Smith, P. Falconer, Stuart.

GOALS: Inter-Monaro (Reis 15, 80), Manly (Jones 56, Smith 89).

CANT-M'VILLE completely outplayed and outclassed Sutherland in their 3-1 victory at Arlington Oval.

The match was all but won after 23 minutes when the Berries were ahead 3-0.

This young Canterbury side is sprinkled with experience and showed a willingness to attack.

In the 13th minute a corner from Basterfield was brilliantly headed in to goal by Andreou. Six minutes later a free-kick from Laing was nodded onto Theodorakopoulos and he blasted it in from close range.

In the 23rd minute they went further ahead after Thamnidis put the ball through for Theodorakopoulos. He cut inside Dal Forno and let loose with a fierce drive past Haynes.

Dal Forno scored Sutherland's goal from the spot after Anagnostopoulos handled inside the area.

The second half saw a more determined effort from Sutherland. Despite their confident movements forward the Canterbury defence adsorbed all the pressure.

Canterbury can be extremely pleased with



Nick Theodorakopoulos added to his tally with two spectacular goals for Cant-M'ville in 3-1 drubbing over Sutherland.

their performance. It was a wholehearted team effort highlighted by the individual talents of Theodorakopoulos, Andreou, Binos and Basterfield.

Canterbury coach John Xipolitis was a relieved man in the dressing room after the game.

"I feel much better after that effort from the boys. If we could repeat this standard of play every week the team would upset many more sides in the competition," he said.

Sutherland must be disappointed after losing two valuable points. Scharfegger was a tower of strength in defence, Harrington was creative in midfield and Groome always pressed forward.

CANT-M'VILLE: El Zein, Tizzzone, Laws, Binos, Anagnostopoulos, Andreou, Laing, Hall (Mickovic 80),

Theodorakopoulos, Thamnidis (Vdoulakis 71), Basterfield.

SUTHERLAND: Haynes, Cashman, Watkins (Hesford 82), Scharfegger, Dal Forno, Meades, Harrington, Webber, Clinch, Groome, Rogers (Cooper 82).

GOALS: Cant-M'ville (Theodorakopoulos 19, 23, Andreou 13), Sutherland (Dal Forno 41).

ANOTHER major upset occurred at Fraser Park when Yugal beat Croatia 1-0.

Croatia started the game in a solid manner. However, the opening stages were highlighted by the midfield battle.

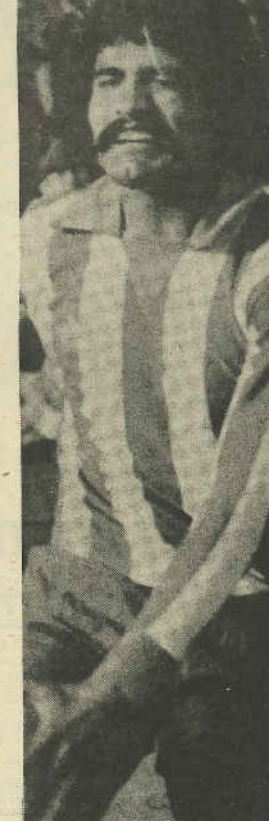
Yugal hit the lead in the 42nd minute after Rokodera recieved a ball from the midfield and ran through to score.

The second half was fought in the same hard style. Once again the Yugal defence stood firm in a resounding display.

Croatia continually pushed forward but were, more often than not, met by a brick wall.

It was an enterprising effort from Yugal, highlighted by defensive efforts of Berry in goal and the combination of Clarke and McIntosh.

Croatia were well served by Woods in de-



Carrizzo

fence, Hastie in midfield (playing his first full game in first grade) and Carrizzo up front.

YUGAL: Berry, Rendall (Pahor 35), Forrester, McIntosh, Clarke, Turkoglu, Tosanic, Mihailovic, Rokodera, Zivkovic, Tanoski.

CROATIA: Watson, Woods, A. Kovacic, M. Kovacic, Sterrey, Hastie, Rezo (Pagano 75), Savor (Davis 45), Arnold, Carrizzo, Silva.

GOALS: Yugal (Rokodera 42).

AUBURN celebrated for the first time this season following their 5-4 win over Bankstown at Mona Park. It was their

cleared and he slotted it in. He scored his double in the 24th when he leapt up and met a corner taken by Roberts.

Seconds before the break Bankstown equalised when a cross from Sirett was tapped into goal by Brown.

Auburn went ahead a minute after the break when a cross from Carney was cracked home by Kelly.

Bankstown replied to this after Dalton made a break on the right side and crossed the ball to the unmarked Sirett who made no mistake. Bankstown hit the lead when a cross from Blackburn was headed home by the nippy Brown.

Auburn levelled when Planinic, playing as stopper, scored his hat-trick. A scramble for possession from a Roberts corner was headed into goal by him.

Auburn grabbed victory in the 87th minute when McDonald, who came on as a substitute, received his first touch of the ball and his 25 yard drive hit the crossbar and the rebound was tucked away by Carney.

Planinic, Roberts in the midfield and Carney in the forward line all played with equal determination for Auburn.

Bankstown were well served by Blackburn in defence, Silines and Brown were constant threats up front.

AUBURN: Bowman, Quigley, Planinic, McKendrick, Kelly, Roberts (McDonald 86), Dale, Townson, Carney, Manago (Kinsey 63).

BANKSTOWN: Giffin, Dalton, Agostino, Blackburn, Kennedy, Parker, Bourke, Sirett, Silines (O'Neill 67), York, Brown.

GOALS: Auburn (Planinic 10, 24, 81, Kelly 46, Carney 87), Bank-

stown (Brown 44, 79, York 9, Sirett 57).

MELITA moved within one point of the competition leaders following their 2-0 win over Polonia at Chopin Park.

Despite the conditions the game was played in a fast attacking mood with action a plenty at both ends.

Both goalkeepers were under constant pressure and both handled it with extreme skill. Consequently the score at the interval was 0-0.

Melita took the lead in the 56th minute. Duarte made a break on the right flank, dribbled the ball to the by-line and crossed to Allan who scored.

This didn't deter Polonia and they constantly pushed forward. However, poor finishing let the side down.

Melita sealed the issue after Allan was brought down inside the area and Farrugia made no mistake from the spot.

Polonia had an opportunity to peg one back after Geekie made an overlapping run and found himself free with an open goal, but his attempt went wide.

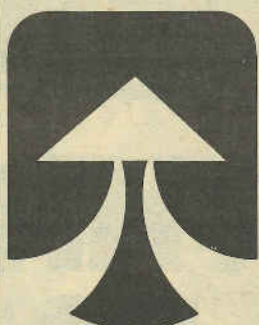
Polonia's best were Galas in defence and Tracey and Ortega in midfield.

Griffiths in the midfield, Cross in defence and McPherson in goal performed soundly for Melita.

MELITA: A. McPherson, Williams, Cross, McAusland, McGinn, Griffiths, Duarte, Jamieson, Allan, Farrugia, McKie.

POLONIA: Barker, I. Garlowski, Geekie, Grossas, Ortega, Z. Garlowski, Kowalcysk, Fobczyk, Smith.

GOALS: Melita (Allan 56, Farrugia 83).



RISE STAR DAVID THOMAS

BY ANDREW PASCHALIDIS

A PLAYER who has a highly consistent work-rate, always listens, is never scared to tackle and is determined and eager to succeed. This is the formula for every young Soccer player to reach the road of success.

David Thomas, who plays with Polonia in the NSW State League, has all the ingredients previously mentioned.

Born in March 1965, David is another youngster on the way up.

He started his playing career at four years of age and spent his first nine years with the popular Liverpool City Robins club.

During that time he played in the Southern Districts Federation Representative team.

David was coached by Roy Marrapodi and consequently followed him to Marconi. He played in the

strong Federation competition for Marconi from 1979-81.

Mr Vic Devani, David's U16 coach moved to Polonia last year and invited him to join the club. He spent last season in the Third grade side under the capable coaching of John Foulkes.

John spoke highly of David, saying: "He has a mass of potential, his enthusiasm is phenomenal and despite his lack of build he never pulls out of a tackle. His natural ability will develop with time



and the only real thing he has to perfect is distribution."

This year David trialled with the First grade side and was quickly signed up by Ziggy Garlowski, the First grade player-coach. Ziggy has had vast experience in European competition and can obviously spot a player with tremendous potential.

Team manager of all three grades at Polonia, Gerry Chrabowski stated: "David is extremely dedicated and despite his lack of size he has a big future in the game if he continues to train hard and put in that little bit of extra work."

I asked David how he felt about playing at Polonia.

He said: "They are a club that certainly give you an opportunity to further your playing standards. I have enjoyed the feeling of the club and

have learned a great deal from the experience of the senior players."

On the future he said: "I want to continue playing top Soccer in first grade and not be rushed into situations that many young inexperienced players suffer. Once I gain experience I will hopefully reach a higher

grade of Soccer, but only when the time is right."

David Thomas has every reason to feel proud of himself. Any player that can jump from Third grade to First grade in the space of one season must certainly deserve to be there. At only 18 this young player has a great future ahead of him.

MELITA HAS TOP CLASS FACILITIES

MELITA Eagles are one of the determined NSW State League clubs aiming at providing top class facilities for their spectators.

This week the club is hopeful that they can add a new light tower to the

existing ones at the ground. The cost of inserting this new pole is around \$6,800.

In addition the club is spending a further \$22,000 on ground improvement. A result of this outlay will be the development of a pop up sprinkler system that can be used all year round.

Melita president Emmanuel Said proudly stated: "We aim to show the public what a State League Club can do. We are hoping that our ground will be the show-piece of Soccer in the Western area."

Mr Said pointed out that Parramatta Council had been most helpful when it came to financial assistance and support.

This Friday night at Melita Stadium will be the highlight of the first round of the competition.

The Eagles will be pitted against Croatia. This will be one hell of a match and a huge crowd is tipped. I feel that Friday night Soccer, if properly promoted, could be a big drawcard and financially successful.

This Sunday Melita take on the might of the NSL. Before the England and Australia match at Sydney Cricket Ground the Eagles are up against Sydney Olympic.

The club is concerned about the future. They are backed by a determined committee and large crowd support. The future looks very well for them and with the possibility of regionalisation, Melita put themselves on the Soccer map.

N.S.W. SOCCER FEDERATION

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TOP ACTION SOCCER DIVISION 1

Friday June 10

Melita v Croatia (1st, 2nd grade only) .. Melita Std.

Deferred games: Saturday June 11

Polonia v M'ly W'ringah (1st grade only) .. Chopin Pk.

Monday June 13

Croatia Sydney v Manly Warringah .. King Tomislav Park

Blacktown City v Polonia .. Gabbie Stadium

Ku-Ring-Gai v Auburn .. Parklands Oval

Sutherland v Yugal .. Seymour Shaw Park

DIVISION 2

Saturday June 11

Blacktown Utd v North Bankstown .. Francis Park

W'gah N'been v Rockdale .. Narrabeen Fitness Camp

Revesby W'kers v Gladesville Ravens .. Jensen Oval

Monday June 13

Revesby W'kers v North Bankstown .. Jensen Oval

Belmore v Gladesville Ravens .. Blick Oval

Artarmon v Fairy Meadow .. Artarmon Reserve

W'gah N'been v Blacktown Utd .. N'been Fitness Camp

DIVISION 1

Saturday June 18

S.S.C. Yugal v Polonia .. Fraser Park

Sunday June 19

Cant-M'ville Oly v Croatia Sydney .. Arlington Oval

Bankstown v Sutherland Shire .. Soccer Centre

Ku-Ring-Gai v Avala .. Parklands Oval

Inter Monaro v Blacktown City .. Marco Polo Oval

Manly Warringah v Melita Eagles .. Cromer Park

DIVISION 2

Saturday June 18

Blacktown United v Dee Why .. Francis Park

Revesby Workers v Belmore .. Jensen Oval

Artarmon v Rockdale .. Artarmon Reserve

Sunday June 19

Fairy Meadow v Penrith United .. Cook Park

Parramatta City v Gladesville Ravens .. Garside Park

Uni of N.S.W. v Wollongong United .. Little Bay Oval

W'gah Narrabeen v North Bankstown .. N'been Fitness Camp

NSW FEDERATION

1ST DIVISION

	I	II	III
Polonia v Melita Eagles	0-2	0-4	0-4
S.S.C. Yugal v Croatia Sydney	1-0	2-2	1-1
Cant-M'ville Oly. v Sutherland Shire	3-1	0-3	2-1
Auburn v Bankstown	5-4	3-3	0-0
Ku-ring-gai v Blacktown City	2-0	1-1	0-4
Inter Monaro v Manly Warringah	2-2	1-1	—

2ND DIVISION

Warringah N'been v Uni of NSW	1-0	4-0	1-3
Artarmon v North Bankstown	0-4	0-3	2-6
Penrith United v Dee Why	0-2	6-0	1-3
Gladesville Ravens v Blacktown United	2-1	4-0	2-1
Belmore v Fairy Meadow	2-2	0-3	0-1
Wollongong United v Parramatta City	1-1	1-0	0-2
Rockdale Ilinden v Revesby Workers	1-0	0-3	1-0

3RD DIVISION

Campbelltown City v North Ryde	3-1	1-1	3-0
C.S.I. v Queens Park E/S	1-2	1-1	1-1
Liverpool Albion v Bondi Marine	2-3	1-2	0-1
Lane Cove United v Bathurst '75	1-0	1-0	0-6
Kingsford v Mt. Druitt Town	1-1	1-1	2-1
Gladesville Hby v Baulkham Hills	3-0	1-1	2-2
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INTER URBAN — 1ST DIVISION

	I	II
Fairfield Kiev v Eastern Creek	3-4	0-2
Port Hacking v Hurstville Zagreb	4-0	1-1
Fairfield West v Concordia	1-0	1-0
Wenty Waratahs v Nineveh Eagles	0-1	0-2
Sydney Uni v Maroubra United	1-0	0-1
King Tomislav v Spanish Club	2-1	3-0

INTER URBAN — 2ND DIVISION

Trasandinos Sports v Chelsea	4-1	2-12
C'town Gunns v Sydney Maccabi	0-0	2-0
West St. George v Chile Sports	0-3	2-0
Eastwood S/A v Moorebank	1-2	1-2
Pagewood v Padstow Park	1-2	2-4

INTER URBAN — 3RD DIVISION

Revesby Rovers v Macquarie Uni	2-4	0-5
Liverpool City v Hawkesbury Dist	0-5	1-0
Macarthur United v Green Valley Utd.	4-0	3-3
Ryde District v Robins	4-0	6-0
Haberfield B/D's v Smithfield H/S	6-1	0-6
Liverpool City v Revesby Rovers	-	-

INTER URBAN — 4TH DIVISION

Murray Farm Rangers v Chullora	2-0	3-1
Blacktown Workers v Rosebery	0-1	0-4
Colo Colo v South Sydney	3-2	1-1
Rangers Hajduk v Hellas Poseidon	0-0	6-1
Lithgow Workmans v Nepean Rovers	0-0	0-1

Dulwich Hill v Liverpool Rangers	1-1	2-0
Nepean Rovers v South Sydney	6-1	2-0

INTER URBAN — 5TH DIVISION

Santiago Wanderers v Welcome Sports	1-5	0-8
Sans Souci v Liverpool United	2-5	0-3
Lansvale Utd. v Castle Hill	0-1	1-3
Jedinstvo Utd. v St. Mary's RSL	2-1	1-3
Argentinian L/U v Concord Juniors	0-1	1-2
Liverpool Utd. v Santiago Wanderers	-	-

INTER URBAN 1-5 DIV PTS

First grade: Port Hacking 13, Fairfield Kiev 13, Maroubra 12, King Tom 11, Hurstville 10, Sydney Uni 10, Eastern Creek 9, Nineveh 9, Fairfield West 9, Concordia 6, Spanish 5, Wenty 3.

Second grade: Maroubra 16, Fairfield West 15, Pt Hacking 11, Sydney Uni 11, Nineveh 11, Eastern Creek 9, King Tomislav 9, Concordia 8, Hurstville 7, Spanish Club 6, Fairfield Kiev 5, Wenty 2.

First grade: Campbelltown 12, Chelsea 10, Eastwood 9, Moorebank 9, Maccabi 8, West St George 8, Padstow Park 7, Trasandinos 7, Pagewood 7, Chile 6, West Utd 1.

Second grade: Campbelltown 15, Moorebank 11, Chelsea 10, Eastwood 10, Padstow Park 9, Pagewood 9, West St George 9, Maccabi 6, Trasandinos 3, West Utd 1, Chile 1.

First grade: Macarthur 13, Ryde 10, Macquarie Uni 10, Greer Valley 9, Haberfield 8, B'ktn Wand's 8, Hawks Dist 7, Robins 7, Liverpool City 6, Smithfield 6, Rev Rovers 0.

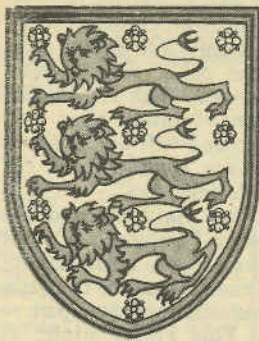
Second grade: Ryde 15, Liverpool City 11, Macquarie Uni 10, Macarthur 9, Robins 9, Green Valley 9, Smithfield 6, Hawks 6, B'ktn Wand's 4, Rev Rovers 3, Haberfield 2.

First grade: Roseberry 14, Hellas Poseidon 13, Rangers Hadjuk 12, Nepean Rovers 12, Murray Farm 12, Chullora 11, Dulwich Hill 9, Colo Colo 8, Sth Sydney 6, Liverpool Rangers 5, Lithgow Wkrs 5, Blktwn Wkrs 3.

Second grade: Roseberry 16, Dulwich Hill 16, Murray Farm 15, Rangers Hadjuk 13, Hellas Poseidon 12, Nepean Rovers 10, Liverpool Rangers 7, B'ktn Workers 6, Chullora 6, Colo Colo 6, Sth Sydney 3, Lithgow Wkrs 0.

First grade: Welcome Sports 15, Concord 12, Castle Hill 11, Liverpool Utd 9, Jedinstro 9, Sans Souci 8, Argentinian 7, Santiago 5, Lansvale Utd 4, St Marys 0.

Second grade: Castle Hill 15, Welcome Sports 14, Concord 12, Liverpool 11, St Marys 9, Lansvale 9, Sans Souci 5, Santiago 5, Argentinian 2, Jedinstro 0.



WELCOME, THREE YEARS TOO LONG

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

TOMORROW morning, England arrives to do battle with Australia in a series of three 'Tests' to be played in Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne.

The last time England came to Australia was in 1980 when the two countries clashed at the Sydney Cricket Ground under floodlights in a special Centenary Match, with England running out winners 1-2.

In that match, Australia frightened the daylight out of England in the second half, when the then Australian coach, Rudi Gutendorf, brought on Marconi's flyer, Peter Sharne.

Sharne's sheer pace ripped huge gaps in the England defence and finally led to Australia being awarded a penalty when Sharne was brought down in the box by England goalkeeper, Joe Corrigan.

This time England will be bringing an even stronger squad to our shores and although two of the originally selected players have dropped out of the tour, they have both been replaced by excellent material.

The two that have dropped out, are Alan Devonshire of West Ham and Peter Withe of Aston Villa. Replacing Devonshire will be 19 year old Nick Pickering a mobile midfielder from Sunderland,



Peter Shilton



Bobby Robson

who made his debut in First Division English Soccer last year. He will be 20 next August and has three Under 21 England caps to his credit.

Gary Shaw from Aston Villa has replaced Withe who is about to enter hospital for a knee operation. Shaw is 22 years old and in his first season with Villa, cracked a League Champions' medal.

To his credit, Shaw has been capped by the England Youth team and was a member of the squad that travelled to West Germany. He has also been named as Young Player of The Year three times and last season scored 21 goals.

Seven of the England players coming to Australia played last Wednesday night against Scotland at Wembley when they beat the "dark blues" 2 nil to retain the British Soccer Championship title.

The seven that played were: Shilton, Neal, Butcher, Lee, Cowans, Francis and Blissett.

The England Squad is: Shilton, (Capt.) Spinks, Neal, Thomas, Statham, Wright, Butcher, Osmond, Lee, Gregory, Cowans, Williams, Pickering, Shaw, Barham, Blissett, Barnes, Francis and Walsh.

WE'RE GONNA BEAT YOU!

AUSTRALIA has gone in to a training camp at the Camperdown Travelodge in Sydney.

I asked Arok for some of his thoughts about the coming Australia "Test" series with England.

Arok in typical sceptical fashion, lingered and then slowly answered:

"My job here with Australia is to put on a good show for Soccer. We will try to surprise England with an organised game, and with controlled aggression and careful approach the Test series.

"Australia will also try to take some kind of in-

itiative as we have never ever beaten England. But there is always a first time."

Arok continued with more enthusiasm, yet silently excited: "In the past, England has always sent across a second-rate squad to Australia. This is a strong one. Make no mistake about that.

"England's relatively new manager, Bobby Robson, is out to make an international reputation for himself. He is already doing well in the European Championship qualifying Groups and will see that his success carries over here in Australia.

"England has already seen videos of Australia's matches earlier this year with New Zealand. They will prove to be absolutely as no guidance to Robson for these coming Test matches.

"We were just awful in those matches.

"You see against strong opposition of the likes of England you must organise yourself to be able to neutralise the big match players.

"I give you the example of Algeria in the last World Cup against West Germany.

"Australia will show commitment, enthusiasm and a great willingness to fight and die for their country," Arok added.

We asked Arok what area he expects danger

from England?

"I am convinced that this England team on its day can defeat any European opposition it finds in its way. So it is the very first time we are facing such a prestigious opposition.

"They are coming here without Peter Withe who pulled out last week with a nasty knee injury that now requires surgery. But his replacement, Gary Shaw, will be worse for us. He is a strong, consistent goalscorer with Villa and possess a high degree of skill and mobility.

"Alongside the big Trevor Francis and Blissett from Watford, all three are tricky, explosive European type of deadly players to contain.

"I am confident that in the first Test next Sunday, we may have a surprise or two in store for England. We go into this clash like Brighton took on Manchester United in the first match of the F.A. Cup Final."

WHEN we finished our chat with Arok, we moved across to get a word from Australia's skipper, John Kosmina, the strongly built, mobile blond striker.

Kosmina has had the good fortune of having spent some time in England with first division outfit, Arsenal and to this

day, this experience has stood John in good stead.

What are Kosmina's thoughts about the coming Test series?

"It is not going to be easy and we all know that.

"The England squad has a very strong look ab-

The Australian squad

1. Greedy,
2. Davidson,
3. Jennings,
4. Yankos,
5. Ratcliffe,
6. O'Connor,
7. Watson,
8. Cant,
9. Kosmina, (Capt).
10. Katholos,
11. Mitchell,
12. O'Shea,
13. Bertogna,
14. Stone,
15. Soper,
16. O'Connor,
17. Murphy,
18. Wishart.

out it and most are full-blooded internationals.

"They are a well balanced side and will come here with a hungry attitude for success so that none of the three matches will be easy.

England is very strong, fit and there's great mobility right through their squad."

I asked Kosmina for Australia's strength in combating England?

"We are fairly well organised at this stage and this week being in camp

with all the boys together will do us the world of good.

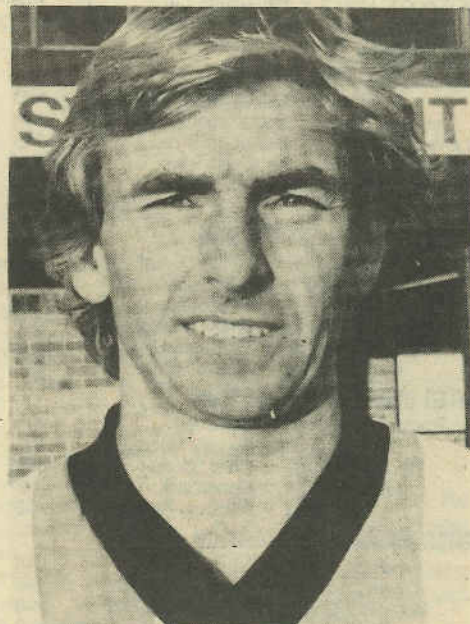
"All the lads have a great desire to win against England and what we lack in experience and not being full-time professionals, we'll make up with determination and heart on the pitch.

"I'm personally looking very much forward to these clashes with England."

Test Referees: First Test: Tony Boskovic (Sydney). Second Test: Peter Rampley (Brisbane). Third Test: G. Johnston (Melbourne).



Frank Arok



John Kosmina

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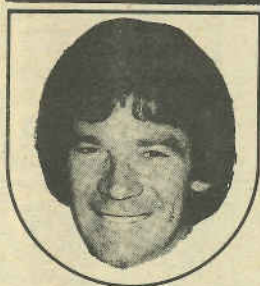
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WITH JOHNNY WARREN

SIMON GETS A

BIG LIFT

SIMON CRANE, who attended the recent Johnny Warren Soccer Academy at Gold Creek, Canberra, was the lucky winner of the Stephens Sport Travel-sponsored trip to England next January.

Simon, 14, lives in Glenbrook, N.S.W. and attends Blaxland High. He plays with Polonia's Under 15s as well as for his school's Open team as a striker. His school side is currently competing in this year's Commonwealth Bank Cup.

This year Simon has been trialling with the NSW representative team as a striker and sweeper.

We contacted Simon last week and he told us: "I was very excited when it was announced that I had won the Stephens Sports Travel trip to England next January."

"It will be a fabulous experience as I do hope to make Soccer my career." He added: "At the Johnny Warren Soccer Academy we had a great time and the instructors knew what to do with us as they had everything well planned. I attended the Soccer Academy during the last school holidays in Canberra and it was terrific."

"We got solid training on all aspects of the game and saw many videos of the world's top players from which we learned a lot."

One of Simon's proudest Soccer moments came last year when he was a member of the Blaxland High school team which won the 2SM Cup.

He has a sister (Rebecca, aged 12), but she is not a Soccer fan. She prefers to play net-ball and go swimming.

When we questioned the youngster as to who had helped him the most in his Soccer development, Simon told us: "I owe a lot to one of my earlier coaches, Michael Gibson."

"Michael at the moment is the goalkeeper at Penrith United."

Next January, Simon



will board an aircraft with many other young Soccer players for the Stephens Sport Travel Tour of the U.K.

The youngsters will be

based at Westerfield House, training headquarters of Ipswich Town, where they will be coached by leading F.A. coaches during their two

week stay.

Also included on the tour schedule are four first division matches, a visit to Wembley Stadium, a few days in Manchester including a visit to Old Trafford, home ground of Manchester United, a tour of Anfield, Liverpool's home pitch, plus short tours of London, and places like Sherwood Forest, are all part of Stephens Sport Travel 1984 January tour of the U.K.

For further inquiries, parents should contact Mr John Lane at Stephens Sport Travel in Sydney, on telephone No 231 3833.

Ooh! Aah! Mmm!



Roy Jones, young Socceroo, just prior to his Mexico challenge, member of the Australian Institute of Sport, is pictured with Mr Rob Holle, OTC product manager of Smith, Kline and French, manufacturers of Skefron pain relief spray (the official sponsor of the AIS).



"Now when I let go of your feet — I want you to do something that does not come naturally."

GREAT SOCCER DESPITE RAIN

AS PART of a Soccer promotion at Macquarie Field, Speers Point, on May 24 two outstanding Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup matches were played.

Rain, which fell heavily during the early matches, made the ground heavy. Wallsend High, win-

ners of the Tasman Cup on three previous occasions, started well and dominated Belmont in the early stages.

It was midway through the first half — and somewhat against the run of play — that Belmont's Michael Jones latched on to a loose ball to give his side a lead.

David Tredinnick equalised and, just as everyone was preparing for extra time, Colin Bloomfield steered the ball into the net for an exciting 2-1 win for Wallsend. They now meet either Singleton or

Whitebridge in round four.

Maitland Boys High started at a blistering pace and, in the space of 25 minutes led 2-0 with goals from Steven Ellen-backer and Craig Pickett.

Then the tide turned and Kotara swung into attack. At half-time the scores were level thanks to goals from Simon Clarkson and David Aranyi.

The second half was thrill-a-minute stuff as both sides played end-to-end Soccer giving NSL referee Robert Davies no respite.

Goalkeepers Peter Hill of Kotara and 14-year-old Richard Eagleton of Maitland performed miracles against the charging forwards.

No further goals sent the game into extra time, extra energy, extra thrills and a number of cramp attacks. But, there was no quarter given.

The scores were still deadlocked after extra time and penalty kicks were ordered. The small crowd, who had braved the elements swung from complete silence to roars of approval or groans of dismay as each shot was taken.

Kotara scored three and Maitland two which sees Kotara now meet the winner of Merewether and Francis Greenway. The two teams left the field to a standing ovation and it was fully deserved.

News that the semi-finals and finals have been allocated to Marconi Stadium, Bossley Park without consideration of which teams reach that position has not been well received.

Should either of the two Hunter Region teams go that far they expect the cards to be stacked against them.

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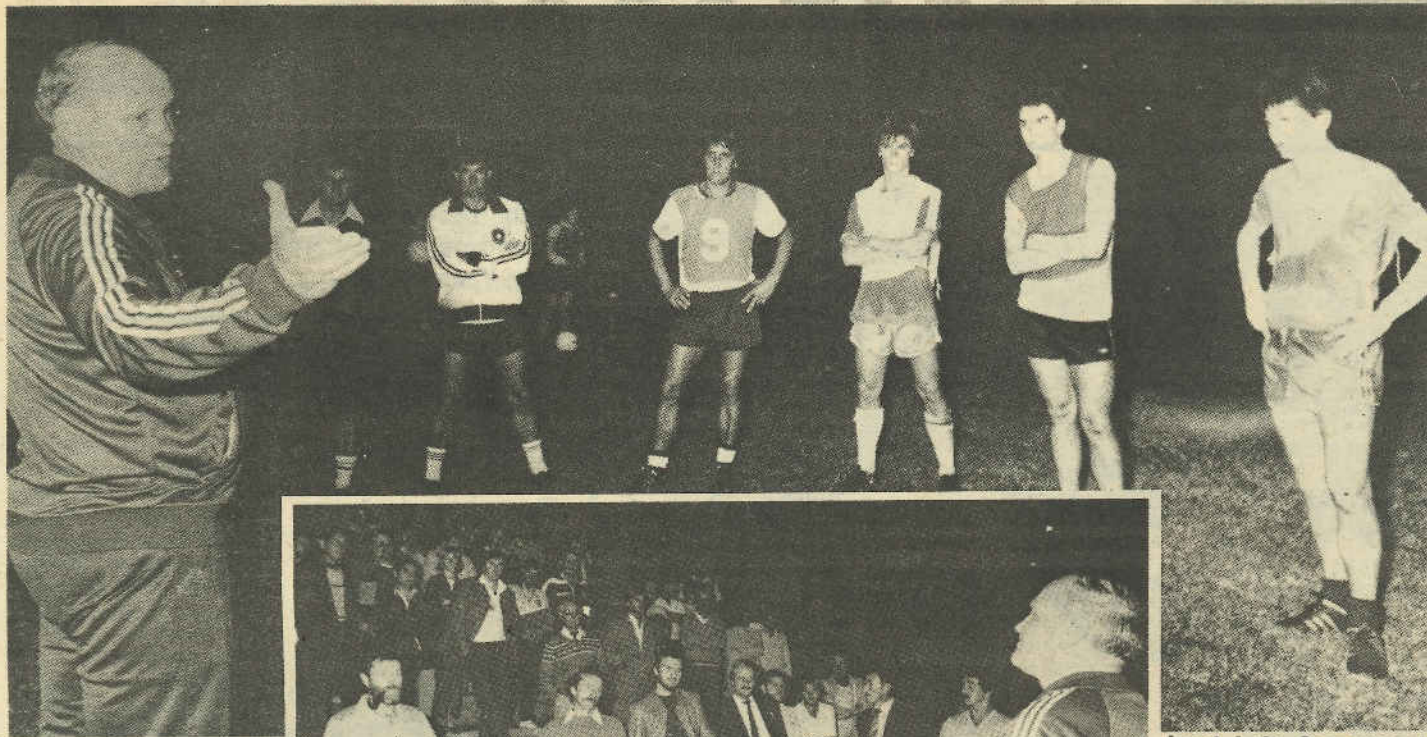
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Above: England coaching supremo Ron Greenwood (left) talks to Queensland State team players.

PAUL Ontong's return to the Canberra Arrows side was further delayed when it was found that a small splinter of bone had come away from his pelvis. It is



Paul Ontong: calcified

a matter of waiting for this to calcify. George Christopoulos suffered a slight setback, so the aim is to have the pair of them back in the team on June 26.

★
WHO was the Wollongong City player who brought the house down during lunch before a recent away game?

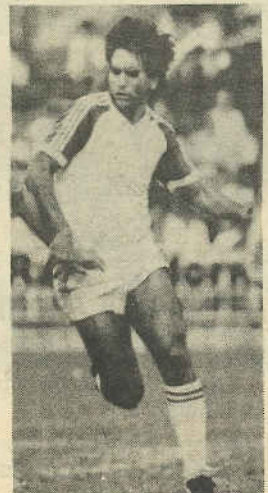
It seems the players were all placing their order when the player asked the waitress for an omelette.

Not knowing if he required a ham, tomato or some other variety, the waitress asked "what kind."

"Oh, an egg kind," said our friend quite seriously.



Just a couple of clues ... he plays in midfield and came from Brisbane City.



Jim Patikas: \$30,000

A SUM of \$48,000 is believed to have been returned this year to Sydney City's backers, the Hakoah Club Ltd. This was the proceeds of the transfer fees on four players — Jim Patikas (\$30,000), John Spanos (\$11,000), Glenn Ahearne (\$4,000) and Aginor Muniz (\$3,000).

★
WOLLONGONG City players recently acted as

models in a fashion parade to raise money for the club at a Wollongong restaurant.

Chris Dunleavy, Natch Vardereff, Peter Willis and Jeff Ainsworth went on the catwalk and did a good job.

They didn't get any volunteers to model the sexy lingerie they had to show off so "Bubbles" Ainsworth did the job.

It was quite revealing stuff and the big defender has been offered a contract by the Pink Pussy Cat.

★
ALAN Waldron, the Wollongong City midfielder, won't forget this season in a hurry.

The former Bolton Wanderers' player joined Wollongong with a record of 15 years without a send-off or as much as a suspension through yellow cards.

This season he has been sent off twice already, once in a pre-season knockout and more recently against Heidelberg in Melbourne.

Ironically, it was Heidelberg coach Ken Morton who brought Waldron to Wollongong from Hong Kong.

The Wollongong play-



ers were obviously upset at Waldron's sending off that day. He was charged with swearing.

If every NSL player who swears in a game was sent off there would be no games within two weeks.

★
KEN Kaiser is taking part in coaching camps along with Norwich City's Newcastle guest star Mike Channon over coming weeks. These will be held throughout the Hunter region — in Newcastle, the coalfields and Lake Macquarie, Ken played his football with West Wallsend, the famous "Bluebells" of North-

ern Soccer history. He was there three years ahead of Col Curran, the township's most famous player of recent times. However, Col started his career with Adamstown Rosebuds, who are now the main backers of Newcastle KB United in the NSL.

★
It hasn't been a good season so far for Leichhardt's clever forward Sebastian Giampaolo. Muscle strain at the top of his groin in his present injury, but he hopes to be ready to resume when matches start up after the English tour.



Joe Watson

WATSON'S CROSSES

MANY of our National Soccer League clubs will regard as a blessing the interruption to the domestic scene caused by the England tour.

Clubs with players in the youth team in Mexico and long injury lists can lick their wounds and be at full strength when the League resumes on June 26.

And we may see a real turnabout in form when the league resumes. Struggling Sydney Olympic and Marconi can expect to have a full complement and I expect to see a new leader although it's anyone's guess who will win the championship. At the moment any one of a dozen teams could win.

My teammate Geraldo Gomez attracts his fair share of criticism for his rugged style of play. But Geraldo's ball winning ability in the air and on the ground and his five-goal contribution this year surely cancels his supposed deficiencies in skill.

Eddie Thomson knows Geraldo will give 100 per cent effort for 90 minutes and there is no other player in the league who can outlast the big fellow for fitness. Well done Geraldo, keep it up.

Our players must be starting to think that Channel O's TV cameras are a jinx as our only three defeats this year have all been featured on Sunday night's match-of-the-day. Two of those losses were by four-goal margins — a 'first' we could do without.

For that reason City could be excused for avoiding the TV game.

Our recent upheavals do not seem to have affected the Youth team. They are leading the National Youth League by a clear five points and have notched a great 27 goals in nine games, emphasising again the tremendous depth of talent within the club.

Hopefully all this will not be in vain and Sydney City will continue to be a major power.

"Roughly translated, Cardrew, it says 'United Rule OK?'"

READERS FORUM

In this spot every week, we shall publish extracts from readers' letters — good or bad! If you want your opinions aired, please keep letters and postcards short and to the point. Write to The Editor, Australian Soccer Weekly, 261 Broadway, NSW 2007.

IRATE SCOT

AS a patriotic Scot I wish to express outrage at your continued reference to Dundee United as "Dundee." Being a long-time supporter of Dundee United I am naturally estatic at them gaining the Premier title for the first time.

However in your edition of 28.5.83 we again find them referred to as "Dundee", who for your information are the "other" team from that city and who usually occupy a low position, or are to be found in Division 1, their natural habitat.

Please make the effort in future to redress this mistake for I enjoy your paper very much.

How would a Manchester United fans like to have their team described as "Manchester" — an insult when one considers where that particular team has ended up?

David Wood,
Glebe.

NOT WANTED!

I AM writing to you as a very annoyed follower of the NSL and you will probably say "a biased KB United Supporter". I am not usually into writing letters to newspapers. This is the first time I have done so. But I cannot let the events of this season go without expressing my opinion.

First I ask: "Does the NSL want teams like Newcastle in their competition?" They seem to be

doing all they can to get rid of them.

Our game with Sydney City was cancelled (along with the entire round) because of a game in Queensland involving NSW and Qld involving players from only four or five teams. That cost KB approximately \$12,000 in gate receipts — a modest estimate when you consider that they could have been top after that game.

Secondly (and I point out I am writing this before any investigation) the game against Sydney Olympic was postponed, according to Olympic, "by the council who own the ground". But the council deny this. Could it be that Olympic cancelled the game because of the unavailability of several of their key players? If that is the case they should be heavily penalised and Newcastle given the three points. I doubt that this will happen such is my faith in the administration of the NSL.

KB United, mainly for financial reasons, nearly folded this year. That they survived and lead the NSL is a credit to them. Their contribution to Australian Soccer has not been mean either for they have produced some fine players, with very little money. I'm not saying they should be given preferential treatment, only that they be considered when some of the big Sydney clubs want things their own way.

A. Humphreys,
George Town.

AZZURRI STILL TOP

BY SYL PHELAN

AZZURRI took a two point lead at the top of the Rothman's State League table after a good 3-0 win over Berkalla at Ady Reserve.

West Adelaide shade Croatia for second place on goal difference despite Croatia's 2-0 loss to Beograd.

Azzurri's win made its 32nd consecutive games without loss, a tremendous performance which has taken them to two championships and now a chance of a third in a row.

The first half ended scoreless, although Azzurri had forced 10 corners to one and had a goal disallowed.

Azzurri opened the scoring early in the second half and, although Berkalla coach, Peter Jaksa made some positional changes, Azzurri scored twice more.

Beograd won the local derby against Croatia before a big crowd with the goals coming in the first half through Adrian Santrac and Dusan Rosmir.

Two defensive errors in the first half by Elizabeth City proved costly when

Polonia's Steve Papadopoulos and Henry Kolecki both scored to give their team a 2-1 win.

The score could have been greater had Polonia's attack capitalised on the weak Elizabeth defence.

Elizabeth came back after a penalty late in the game, from which Robert Knowles scored.

West Adelaide continued their bid for top place when they defeated a determined Port Adelaide 2-0 after goals from Nick Malavazos and Jim Brown.

In the remaining game Campbelltown City defeated Para Hills 4-3 in a rash of goals after leading 3-1 at half time.

Para Hills pulled back to equalise 3-3 in the second half, but Campbelltown City won when Gordon Haig scored direct from a free kick shortly before time.



VEERING VALENTINO

Mike Valentine (Heidelberg) slips deftly between two South Melbourne defenders, Bobby Russell (centre) and John Yzendoorn.

JUVENTUS CARPETED

AN incident at the recent Box Hill v Juventus clash has landed the Brunswick club in hot water.

Juventus supporters are alleged to have assaulted referee Grant who

oiled if uniformed police had been at the game.

"We always pull a large crowd and it is easy enough for a club to provide a couple of police officers. If they had been there the handful of supporters that went on



Fabio Icantalupo: in Mexico and missed by Juventus.

awarded Box Hill a late penalty which won them the game.

Team manager Joe Caruso said: "We have been called before the VSF to explain what happened."

"The incident was unfortunate as until the last ten minutes the game was a good one."

"We felt that the penalty was a little harsh but accept the decision. Our supporters are very loyal and were upset."

"However, this situation could have been av-

would have stayed behind the fence.

"We have never had any trouble at Olympic Park as there are always enough police to keep an eye on things," said Mr Caruso.

Meanwhile, Juventus are almost certain to bring out from the Irish international Paul McGee at present playing with English second division club Burnley.

He is expected to arrive in Australia within the next couple of weeks.

OSCAR BRAVO

JOE IS ON THE MOVE

RINGWOOD Wilhelmina's midfielder and captain Joe Tront has signed with State League rivals Maryb-rinong Polonia.

The classy midfielder has shown signs of being dis-encharmed and missed recent training sessions and the game against Doveton.

He will be a big loss to Ringwood. He has excellent "vision" and with Ringwood occupying a lowly position was a key player in their survival.

Coach Nick Van Egmond will miss Tront but it is better that he leaves.

The price for the former South Melbourne player was a realistic \$3000.

Too many clubs refuse to let players go and ask for too much money.

This is bad for the game.

Conversely I feel that players should come half-way and stop asking ridiculous amounts.

If this situation is not put right we may find ourselves in a similar situation to the UK.

Only a matter of five years ago British soccer had the best set-up in the world.

Now we hear of stars being paid as much as \$2000 a week and clubs asking \$2 million for one player!

Smaller clubs are folding because they can't meet the high costs.

Lately players wages have started to fall down and transfer fees are no longer written in telephone numbers.

It will be some time before things improve but with Soccer in Australia operating on a smaller scale we may not survive as the code around the world has done through the recession.

Players and clubs alike should be more co-operative and stop bleeding the game. Otherwise they may destroy the game.

NEW HOME FOR JUVENTUS

STATE League club Juventus have received the go-ahead to build a new ground.

Title-chasing Juventus received word from Brunswick City Council last week that plans were being drawn up for a huge sporting complex in Victoria Street.

"It is a good thing that Juventus can at last play in the middle of the Italian community," the Brunswick Mayor said.

"Juventus have played all over Melbourne and

even Olympic Park is not ideal as it is still a little out of the way.

"We hope that by building this ground it will increase the interest in the team apart from providing excellent sporting facilities for the public," said Mr Maloney.

Joe Caruso, the Juventus delegate, said: "This is a very important project for our club."

"It will take time but it will be worthwhile in the long run. The first step will be to build the pitch and the stand."

Work will be start before the end of the season

and the pitch will hopefully be ready next season.

Later stages will include a running track and also indoor facilities such as squash courts and gym facilities.

The million-dollar complex will be a "first" in Brunswick.

Fund-raising will be organised by the club committee which expects generous support from the huge Juventus following.

The first stage is expected to cost around \$250,000 with assistance from voluntary workers.



Oscar Crino: vital goal scorer for South Melbourne in their 2-1 victory over Adelaide City on Sunday, June 5, 1983.

YES, YOU TOO CAN BE A JEAN

A COUPLE of years ago, I interviewed a player who lived and loved soccer. It was a full time work of love and dedication, and eventually led this lady to represent Australia.

As a lot of the States are concentrating on preparations for the Nationals in August, I thought that readers would be interested in comparing a young lass bordering on State selection in 1983, with my story of two years ago.

We'll call her Jean to save her embarrassment.

Jean first started playing soccer with her brother when nine years old. Her brother was a few years older and had no worries about belting a

hard ball at the "kid sister". That was eight years ago and now Jean is a very capable mid-fielder.

Jean could never see anything wrong with playing Soccer. Her mother, while not disapproving, did nothing to encourage her.

The family was not surprised therefore, when Jean came home excitedly brandishing a note from her school that said a girl's soccer team was being formed and could she join.

Ron, her father, a soccer player in his day, was pleased enough to encourage the team's existence and with three brothers and a dad on her side, Jean sailed through any opposition that mum may have had.

What he did not realise was Jean's almost fanatical quest not to be beaten to the ball by anyone. It was that strong desire that almost ended Jean's playing career.

A protest was lodged against her by an oppos-

ing team — not because she was a girl — although that was bad enough, but because of the way in which she was taking toll of their best players.

Soccer for girls had not become a confirmed thing back in the late 1970's and although Jean tried

her best, the sport's mistress considered that soccer was not a sport for young ladies.

It was the Australian Women's Soccer championships held in Adelaide and the skill demonstrated there that made up her mind that one day,



Women in Soccer

By Don Balmain

she too would play like that.

She readily admits that her social and love life is almost non-existent. She says that there is just no time for the 'niceties of life'. Her priorities have been set and she is deter-

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Soccer 'Jeans' come in all shapes and sizes. Meet Judy Brado Lino (above), one of Sydney Olympic's best defenders. And (right) Despina Demoponlos (19), signed for the Olympic team by coach Aris Patikas.



mined to keep them. "Training keeps me fit," she said, "Then once a week I train with my club side. To relieve any tension that I might have from study, I can usually get a kick around with one or two of my brothers. We have a soccer field right behind the house."

Jean has not been changed in any way by her chosen sport. She follows Arsenal, but cannot name more than one or two players in the side. She still jeers at her older brother when his side fails.

"I have always played for the enjoyment that I have got out of the game. Maybe I'll start coaching next year."

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GROUP A

Blacktown Assn v Central Coast	1-1	0-3	0-1	1-2
Granville v Auburn	1-3	6-0	1-2	—
Melita v Manly	1-0	0-2	3-3	0-2
Canterbury v St George	0-7	2-3	0-3	0-1
Ku-ring-gai, bye				

GROUP B

Southern Dists v APIA	0-3	0-1	0-3	1-0
Polonia v Sydney City	3-3	1-2	3-0	0-5
Illawarra v Sutherland	1-1	1-4	2-1	4-3
Nth Bankstown v Gladesville	0-2	1-3	0-0	0-2
Croatia — bye				

GROUP C

Blk'town City v Avala	1-0	2-2	1-2	3-0
Bankstown v Marconi	3-4	1-2	0-4	0-6
Cant-M'ville v Baulkham Hills	2-0	0-1	2-5	6-0
Nepean v Macarthur	—	3-2	1-0	4-0
Sydney Olympic — bye				

DEFERRED GAMES

GROUP B				
APIA v Polonia	2-1	6-0	1-1	10-0
Sutherland v Gladesville	0-0	4-1	2-1	1-0

GROUP A

Granville v Ku-ring-gai	0-2	4-0	2-0	—
Melita v Central Coast	1-1	1-1	0-1	1-3
Canterbury v Auburn	0-3	1-0	1-4	2-2
Blacktown Assoc v Manly	1-0	0-2	0-4	0-3

GROUP C

Baulkham Hills v Blacktown City	1-6	1-1	1-2	0-1
Sydney Olympic v Bankstown	4-2	1-2	6-0	6-1

POINTS

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GROUP A: St. George 23, Central Coast 22, Blacktown Ass 17, Auburn 16, Manly 13, Ku-ring-gai 12, Melita 12, Granville 7.

GROUP B: Sutherland 18, Illawarra 18, Gladesville 18, Polonia 17, Croatia 15, APIA 12, Southern Dist 11, Nth Bankstown 8, Sydney City 5.

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GROUP B: Southern Dist 22, Sutherland 22, APIA 22, Illawarra 13, Gladesville 12, Polonia 62, Sydney City 10, Nth Bankstown 6, Croatia 5.

GROUP C: Sydney Olympic 17, Nepean 17, Marconi 17, Baulkham Hills 16, Cant-M'ville 16, Blacktown City 14, Bankstown 14, Macarthur 7, Avala 6.

U15:

GROUP A: Granville 22, Auburn 21, St. George 18, Ku-ring-gai 14, Manly 14, Central Coast 11, Canterbury 10, Melita 8, Blacktown Assoc 8.

GROUP B: Polonia 20, APIA 20, Illawarra 19, Sutherland 18, Croatia 12, Southern Dist 11, Gladesville 9, Sydney City 8, Nth Bankstown 7.

GROUP C: Marconi 23, Sydney Olympic 20, Avala 17, Blacktown City 15, Cant-M'ville 15, Baulkham Hills 14, Nepean 11, Bankstown 5, Macarthur 4.

U16:

GROUP A: St. George 21, Ku-ring-gai 18, Auburn 16, Manly 15, Canterbury 14, Central Coast 13, Blacktown Assoc 10, Melita 5.

GROUP B: APIA 21, Southern Districts 19, Illawarra 18, Gladesville 17, Sutherland 14, Sydney City 11, Croatia 8, Nth Bankstown 7, Polonia 5.

GROUP C: Sydney Olympic 21, Marconi 21, Cant-M'ville 20, Blacktown City 14, Nepean 14, Avala 13, Bankstown 11, Baulkham Hills 7, Macarthur 3.



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AMATEUR SOCCER BOOSTER

THE NSW Amateur Soccer Federation has placed a series of proposals before the NSW Soccer Federation in a bid to improve the standing of Soccer in NSW.

The ideas are certainly positive and the Amateurs have requested that the meeting take place by June 21.

Earlier, the Amateur Federation Council branded the state body's proposed 25c per player levy as unacceptable. This levy was to fund Parklea, but many districts have their own projects to support.

This situation has led to the Amateurs considering what positive proposals would improve the future of the sport, taking into account the need to make the Parklea project a meaningful part of Soccer in the state.

The Federation has a piece of property with a hall and offices and the Amateurs have the coaches and teams that could turn it into something worthwhile.

The basis of the discussions would include:

1. Three (3) members of N.S.W. A.S.F. to be added to existing five (5) member Executive of the N.S.W. F.S.C.
2. Six (6) member Committee to comprise of three (3) from N.S.W. A.S.F.

and three (3) N.S.W. F.S.C. to form Committee to plan future development, finishing date and essential running of Parklea Project.

3. One (1) extra vote for N.S.W. A.S.F. for every 10,000 registered Members, or part thereof, be added to existing three (3) votes.
4. N.S.W. F.S.C. to allocate two (2) grounds to N.S.W. A.S.F. for a period of 100 years on a nominal rental of say \$1.00 per year for development, also area for dormitory accommodation and Amenities Block, etc. to be developed over a period, say five years.
5. That suitable financial arrangements be negotiated between N.S.W. A.S.F. and N.S.W. F.S.C. to fund, maintain and administer the grounds at Parklea.
6. The N.S.W. A.S.F. to retain its own autonomy and finance.
7. The N.S.W. F.S.C. to provide office space and facilities to N.S.W. A.S.F.

There is no doubt that the State League clubs of the various divisions will be interested in the proposals.

So many of them have definite junior interests and form part of the amateur bodies themselves.

This could provide a way in which the work put in by Charles Valentine, in particular, could come to fruition, so the outcome of the matters will be eagerly awaited.

LEAGUE LEADERS



Pagewood Botany U14 team are leading their competition in Sydney's Southern and Eastern Soccer Association. The players are: (Standing): John Constantine, (Coach), A. Kontikos, D. Constantine, P. Aquilina, S. Stepanovic, A. Shameem, T. Kaizik, D. Taliana, (Manager). (Seated): A. Raptis, P. Licari, G. Iliopoulos, N. Pagalis, I. Clark. (Front): A. Taliana, T. Triantafyllides, T. Minas.

DEMON COACH GREENWOOD

ENGLAND's former manager Ron Greenwood will coach the Blacktown Demon's Super Squad today, Tuesday June 7, 1983 from 3pm to 5pm at the Gabbie Stadium Seven Hills.

All juniors, coaches, managers and teachers available are invited to attend.

later Greenwood will be in charge of the senior squad's training. Congratulations to the club, senior coach Casey De Bruin and development coach David Lee for their enterprise in securing Greenwood's assistance.

Q'LAND JUNIORS REORGANISE

THE administrative structure of the Queensland Junior Soccer Council has undergone a drastic change between the end of the 1982 playing season and the start of the 1983 season.

Since its inception the Q.J.S.C. was governed in the usual accepted manner, consisting of a management committee elected by its Zone members at each Annual General Meeting, with delegate meetings being held periodically to enable the eight Zones to be a part of the Council and to enable them to have their say in the running of their affairs.

At the end of 1981 a new Zone was created when South Queensland split into two, the South West Qld Zone and the South East Qld Zone.

Under this existing structure, the various Zones felt they did not have enough say in the running of Junior Soccer by the State body, which after all, was the governing body for the whole of the State.

During 1982 plans were formulated to restructure the administration of the Council. It was proposed

that it be headed by a three person executive of President, Secretary and Treasurer, and that each of the nine Zones elect a person from their own Zone to form the Council committee.

This, of course, meant many changes to the Constitution which came into being at the Annual General Meeting at the end of 1982.

Now there are no longer management committee or delegate meetings. All meetings are full Council meetings involving the three executive members and the nine Zone Council members.

The 1983 Council is: President: Mr Stan Dye. Secretary: Mr Jack Boyle, 18 Whitey Street, Woodridge. Qld. 4114 (07) 208 4245. Treasurer: Mrs. Pam Gilbert.

Zone 1 — Far North Qld — Mr John Bomben, Zone 2 — North Qld — Mr Andy Boscacci. Zone 3 — Central Qld — Mrs Leith Ferguson. Zone 4 — Wide Bay — Mar Barry Bainbridge. Zone 5 — South West Qld — Mrs. Pat donge. Zone 6 — Brisbane South — Mr. Norm Philp. Zone 7 — North West Qld — Mr Ken Hessen. Zone 8 — Brisbane North — Mr. Bob Nebe. Zone 9 — South East Qld — Mr David Booth.

— from Pam Gilbert

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'ACKA' BIG GAIN FOR STATE JUNIORS

FORMER Australian and Leichhardt left-back Stan Ackerley has been appointed trainer of the NSW under 13 representative team.

"Acka" is a great gain and coach Ian Lloyd is grateful to have this former Soccerroo stalwart with the team. In his days with APIA, Ackerley was one of the top players in Australia, and teamed up with right-back George Keith in many great club and international battles.

He made 28 appearances in the green-and-gold, many of them when "Uncle Joe" Vlasits was the much-respected coach.

This team will play in Australian championships in Alice Springs.

Vince Balzan is coaching the under 14s for Brisbane. Working with him is Frank Wilson, who is also a very knowledgeable trainer and well versed in the treatment of injuries.

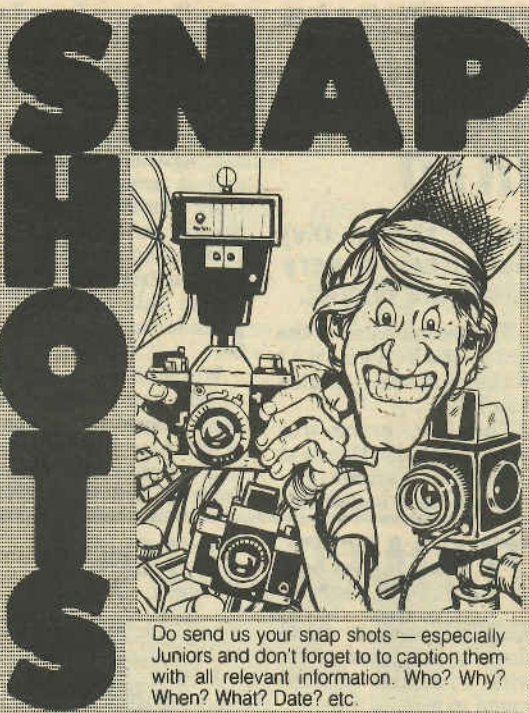
John Hedison has the under 15 team, which will play their matches in the St. George district. Trainer Bernard O'Flaherty is a nursing instructor, so again the NSW team is blessed with having a competent physiotherapist to assist them.

The under 15 team had a residential camp at St Johns College at Sydney University for 25 boys during the May school holidays. Included were two boys from Riverina and one from Orange.



FROZEN KEEPER

NSW Youth League is one of Australia's best junior competitions. Here Gladesville goalkeeper John Filan gets the ball away in the U13 match against Sydney City.



Do send us your snap shots — especially Juniors and don't forget to caption them with all relevant information. Who? Why? When? What? Date? etc.



BARBARA IS A BACKER

Mrs Barbara Tallis relaxes at Ashley Brown Park as the Centenary Cup competition arrangements fall into place. She was one of the keen group of tournament organisers.



HEAP BIG REFEREE

Bill Lodge, a former referee of many years standing, is the Appointments Officer of the Australian Referees Federation, NSW. As such he makes literally thousands of referees' appointments over a season for the huge number of representative standard and cup matches conducted over a season. Here he is seen in a break in activities at the NSW Centenary Cup series during the May school holidays.

TOPS

Raymond McGrath of Blacktown's U11 representative team, was voted "the most promising player" at the coaching camp conducted by the Blacktown & District SFA.



CENTRE

David Bell of Lethbridge Park Soccer Club is a keen central defender for the Blacktown Association's under 12 representative team.

13, 14, 15 + 16 = GLADESVILLE HORNSBY SOCCER SHOOTERS



Under 13: (back) Brian Tindale (coach), Joe Gagliardi, John Filan, Scott Egelton, Craig Sanders; (middle) Paul Rhodes, Scott Caylryls, Glen Patterson, Julian Chow, Glen Apps, Simon Brown; (front) Milovan Papić, Bradley Stuart, Peter Tindale.



Under 14: (back) John McDonald (coach), Greg Welch, Justin Sara, David Byrne, Andrew Grace, Peter Seifken, Scott Lackenby, Ken Clancey (manager); (front) Mark Atkinson, Adam Reed, Andrew Moore, Garner Clancy, Robert Henry, Simon Demetron, Ian Wood.



Under 15: (back) Steve Blatchford (coach), Neil Barrett, Doug Gunn, Bradley Hopwood, George Drivas, Michael Pavella, Ron Hopwood (manager); (middle) Steve Capper, Rick Calvi, George Graziani, Darren Crabb, Glen Maskell; (front) Andrew Bow, Stephen Cameron, Scott Grinham, Richard Stuart.

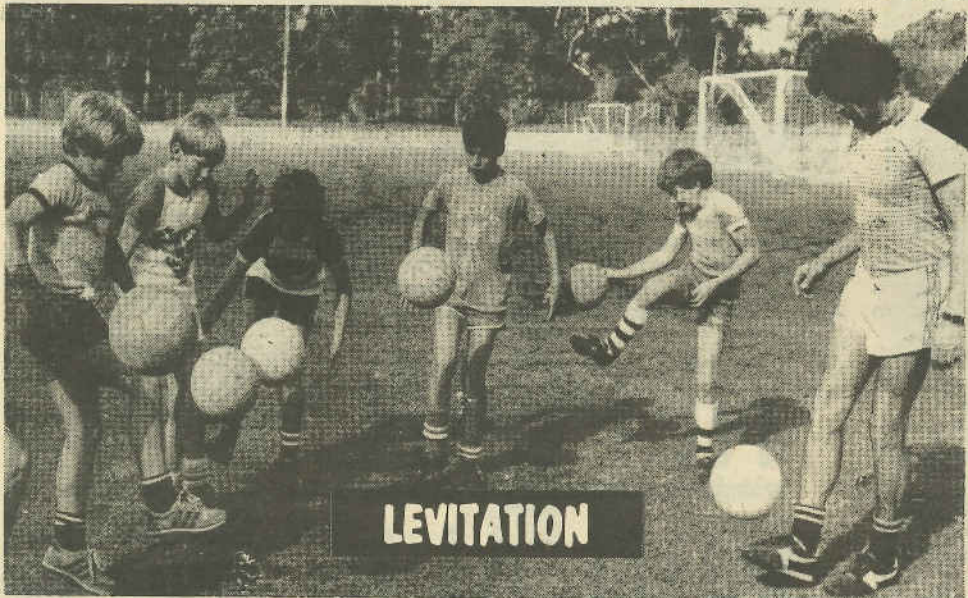


Under 16: (back) John McDonald (coach), Neil Maxwell, Gary Fog, Andrew Olinyk, Peter Geist, Vito Scaglione, Chris Bratten, Kingsley Moore, Bruce Watt, Ken Clancey (manager); (front) Phil Henson, Nick Zagaras, Steve Salecich, John Dresler, Paul Rogi, Jamie Smith, Yong Dock Kim.

'AW SHUCKS!



A player from the Southern Districts Assn in Sydney releases the ball as his opponent from Albury-Wodonga (Riverina) arrives just too late to challenge.



LEVITATION

Want to develop your Soccer skills? Go and see the experts. Former Australian World Cup star, Attili Abonyi, demonstrates (right) ball control to a group of keen young fellows at Englefield Stadium Dural, where he is a full-time development coach.

The players from left are Brett Rigby, 13, of Moorebank, Scott McFarlane, 12, Mt Pritchard, Gary Hidson, 13, Moorebank, Darrel Merange, 12, Nowra and Danny Volarich, 13, Moorebank and Scott Watson, 9 of Normanhurst.



North Tasmania's striker approaches goal with two Ku-ring-gai defenders and their goalkeeper at the alert to guard their goal.

COACH 1

Greg Best supervises two youngsters trying out a classic 1 v 2 exercise at Blacktown & District SFA's camp at Quakers Hill.



COACH 2

Brian Williamson watches a confrontation between two youngsters at the Blacktown Association Soccer camp. Brian, goalkeeper in the English League for many years, naturally handled goal coaching.



JNR SNR

Michael Goldsmith (15), year 10 student of Claremont High School in Tasmania, is a member of the Caledonian senior team in the Cadbury State League competition. He is one of the youngest players ever to play at senior State league level. He assists in the coaching of Claremont High's Under 14 team in south Tasmania's high school league.



FORMER Queensland coach George Pagan has taken over as coach of the State's under 14 team for this year.

A change became necessary when a change of employment ruled Jim Gilbert out.

Jim Dolan is in charge of preparations for the under 15

Pagan new coach

team and John Burges is the new under 13 coach.

The respective managers are U15 Ken Hesson, U14 Barry Bainbridge and U13 Jack Boyle.

The North Zone has decided against sending a team to this year's under 15 titles, which will be held in early July at Bundaberg with eight zones competing.

The QJSC is carrying out a limited marketing program, covering caps, badges, T-shirts as well as coaching manuals. Smaller items such as pens, rulers stickers etc are also available.

FOUR LEFT IN HUNTER K'OUT

WHITEBRIDGE and Mereweather High schools are two of the four teams remaining in the Hunter Region Section of the Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup knock-out competition following victories last week.

Whitebridge beat Singleton 3-2 and Mereweather hammered Francis Greenway 4-nil.

The two Hunter representatives to take on schools from other regions in the State-wide competition, will be decided tonight.

Mereweather meets Kotara and Whitebridge takes on Wallsend.

BLACKTOWN BOYS GO NORTH

BLACKTOWN United Under 12 (1st Div) team have just returned from a very successful trip to the Wauchope district.

In the course of their visit the team played against the Mid North Coast Representative squad at Port Macquarie. The score was Mid North Coast 3, Blacktown United 2.

The second game of the trip was against Wauchope, and United won 12-0.

The last game was against Camden Haven at Laurieton. Camden Haven had been undefeated

since they were formed as an under 6 team, and in seven years of soccer had only one goal scored against them.

The half time score was 1-2 against Blacktown, and it seemed that the long-standing record would remain intact, but United came out with great determination in the second half, and scored 5 goals for a final result of 6-1.

Whilst in the Wauchope district the team and parents stayed at the home of Mr Alan Andrews who was delighted that a team from the Sydney area had

come to visit.

Mr Andrews said that the standard of Soccer in the district was steadily improving, and they needed visitors from the metropolitan area to improve it further.

The United team were a splendid example of the best of Blacktown youth, and have been good ambassadors for their Club and the District as a whole.

Their success ensures that any other Sydney club visiting the Wauchope district will be warmly welcomed.

GIRLS K.O. SERIES RUDY ROTH TROPHY KU-RING-GAI CUP HUNTER REGION

Round One: Lambton 3 d Newcastle 2; Maitland GH 6 d Jesmond 0; Cessnock 5 d Scone 0; Raymond Terrance d Scone w/o.

Round Two: Merewether v Kotara; Cardiff 4 v Booragul 0; Warners Bay 3 d Morisset 1; Toronto 9 d Lambton 0; Gateshead 14 d Glendale 1; Maitland GH 6 d Belmont 0; Cessnock 3 d Raymond Terrance 0.

TURNER TOPSY TURVY

RECENT weather conditions have played havoc with a number of first round games.

Sydney Co-Ordinator John Moscovis issued an appeal through ASW for schools to try to have all games played on time to ensure that later rounds can go ahead on schedule.

Div 1 North: Asquith BHS 4, Galston 1; North Sydney GHS 4, St Alois

joius College 3; Parramatta HS 3, Castle Hill HS 2.

Div 2 South: Port Hacking HS 3, St Patricks Sutherland 1; Sylvania HS 2, Kogarah HS 0; Endeavour HS 3, Hurstville BH 1; Kingsgrove Nth HS 12, Belmore BHS 0, Sir Joseph Banks HS w.o.t.

Div 3: East Ashfield BHS 5, Christian Bros Balmain 0; Forrest HS 12, St Ives HS 0; Kuringai HS

6, St Pius Chatswood 4; De La Salle Ashfield 17, Glebe HS 0, Killara HS w.o.f.

Div 4 West: St Dominics Penrith 6, Penrith HS 1; Bidwill HS 4, Shalvey HS 0; Merrylands HS 2g 5p, Plumpton HS 2g 4p; Northmead HS 1g 3p, Holroyd HS 1g 2p; Grantham HS 2, Mitchell HS 0.

C'WEALTH CUP UPDATE

RESULTS

Davidson 7 Ku-ring-gai 0
Kogarah 6 Port Hacking 1
Sydney Tec 1 Woolware 0

Colyton 2 Model Farms 1 (e.t.)
Wagga Wagga 3 Koorlingal 1
Port Kembla Berkley 1
Fairfield 3 Fairvale 2
Bankstown 2 Picton 1 (e.t.)
Fairvale 1 Liverpool 0

The strong Cabramatta team meet Ingleburn with the winner to play the improved Bankstown team.

Colyton and Mt Druitt have impressed with high scores and solid play from the Metropolitan West Region, likewise Port Kembla from the South Coast, while 1982 winners Marsden are making great efforts to win again.

Gareth Williams, C.H.S. Soccer Convener.

INVITATION TO TRAIN A REWARD

SEVEN players of the Albury-Wodonga Soccer Association's U/14 rep team have been invited to train with the Victorian Country U/14s this year.

"The excellent performance and determination of our players to win, caught the eyes of the Victorian U/14 coach Mr Reno Lia of Shepperton," the team's Promotion Officer Frank Finley said.

The players are: Danny Novak, Petros Nickolopoulos, Anthony Knobloch, Pasqualino Romito, Michael Leake, Derek Boyer and Craig Weldon.

"Our team scored a total of 16 goals against Geelong, winners of the

series, second getters, Latrobe Valley, Ballarat, Bendigo, and Shepperton," coach Ernst Mueller said.

The A.W.S.A. U/14 rep team finished third in the series, which lasted two days.

The team has been invited to play in the 1983 Victorian Country Soccer Championship.

Michael Leake, who kicked seven goals and played a solid and constructive game, was named by Mr Mueller,

as the player-of-the-series.

Other goal scorers were: Brett Harrison, (3), Frank Finley Jr (2), Anthony Knobloch (1), Petros Nickolopoulos (1), Craig Weldon (1), Michael Davies (1).

Michael Leake was the highest scorer

During June and July the team will compete in the 1983 Riverina Cup competitions.

Mr Mueller believes that the team has a reasonable chance to make the finals.

"In that case we will travel to Sydney for the play-off" he said.

Results of the series: A.W.S.A. v Geelong 3-3, A.W.S.A. v Latrobe Valley 4-5, A.W.S.A. v Ballarat 3-3, A.W.S.A. v Bendigo 3-0, A.W.S.A. v Shepperton 3-0.



"I'm not going out with that footballer again, mum. He keeps making passes".

MY FAVOURITE PLAYER

HERE is a selection from Mark Jankovics' mail-bag. This week's winner is Scott Boyle (10) of Seven Hills. He will receive a letter enabling him to collect his sports bag from The Sports Centre and can call at one of their popular stores at Parramatta Westfield or Carlingford Court of Bankstown Square. Congratulations also to P. Orlando of Petersham and David Baranowski of Mt Druitt.

MY favourite player is Stuart Selva. He plays for Blacktown City Demons. I like him because he understands us kids.

We call him "Smurf" because of his size. He is one of the smallest players on the field. He is a good player and recently scored a goal against Yugal.

Scott Boyle (10) Seven Hills.

MY favourite Soccer star is Rene Licata, who plays

for Marconi 1st Grade, and who is playing for the Australian Youth Team in Mexico.

Rene is my Soccer star because he is a very promising player and when he plays he tries to give 100 per cent of his effort.

P Orlando. Petersham.

I like Steve Watson. I think he's a very good goalkeeper.

David Baranowski (8), Mt Druitt.

ARROW LADS GO SUBURBIA

CANBERRA ARROWS take Soccer to the suburbs on June 18 — for an afternoon of Soccer in which the Youth team attraction eclipses easily that of its 'big brother'.

The Youth team plays Sydney City — and they are now two of the top youth squads

That game will kick off at 1pm at Hawker Oval with the main game starting at 3pm

And Canberra's oppo-

nents? ACT first division side Belconnen.

But as Canberra's administrator, Karen Greiga, explained: "It's a practice run."

"This is the club's taking the game to the suburbs routine. Belconnen is one of Canberra's strongest — if not the strongest — soccer area."

"In this way people in the area may come to watch the games."



Our winners, with the ASF Centenary Cup. (Back row) Ron Heep, trainer, Barry McClarnon, coach, Peter Shelper, manager. Middle: Michael Pratt, John Grosse, Darren Rubie, Mark Calphy, Jamie Smith, Eddy Allilovic, Stephen Badrov, Bob Casserly, Stuart Piper, David Carlin. Front: Michael Fric, Ronnie Heeps, Julian McClarnon, Glen McMillan, Grant Cullen and Scott McArdle.

NEPEAN WIN ALL

THE Nepean under 12 Representative Soccer Squad proved too good for their opposition in the Centenary Cup at Ashley Brown Oval, Seven Hills. A total of 24 Interdistrict Associations entered teams with Nepean the only team to win all their matches.

By Friday Nepean had not dropped a point and

had earned a spot in the major semi-finals against Newcastle, eventually winning that game 4-2. The other semi-final saw St George beat McQuarie giving them the other grand final place against Nepean on Sunday.

Extra time was needed for a result as the teams were locked at one goal each. Nepean scored from

a free kick in extra time to give them the victory with a score of 2-1.

Goals were scored by Julian McClarnon and Stuart Piper. Man of the match was Nepean full back David Carlin.

Most observers were impressed with the standard of soccer played, the boy's stamina and their will to win considering the amount of soccer played during the week.

Nepean looked every bit a professional squad with their behaviour on and off the field, well drilled warm up routine and appearance.

The boys sponsor CTC Transport who provided track suits and bags said they were delighted with the boys performance and "knew they had backed 16 winners."

KU-RING-GAI DISTRICT S. A.

Interested qualified persons are invited to apply for the position of

DIRECTOR OF COACHING FOR 1984 SEASON

The appointee will be required to lead a team of coaches and conduct coaching courses.

Applications should be sent to:

R. Wood, Secretary, Ku-Ring-Gai District Soccer Assn.
29 Yeramba Street, Turramurra 2074.

Applications close June 21 1983.



NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE

By PETER RUSSELL

ON Saturday at Bruce Stadium, the local derby between the Australian Institute of Sport and the Canberra Arrows resulted in a narrow 1-0 win to the Arrows.

Although making most of the play, A.I.S. could not find the back of the net. Their forwards were either off target or found Young Soccerroo Chris Hummell's deputy, George Economopoulos in brilliant form.

In the first 15 minutes play swung from end to end and the Institute had their crossbar rattled in one Canberra attack, before Angelo Ambrosino put them into the lead in the 17th minute.

From then on it was one way traffic towards the Canberra goal with A.I.S. completely dominating the game.

At the International Sports Centre, Newcastle it was a similar story with the hosts Newcastle dominating for long periods and creating the scoring chances. But, the points and goals went to the visitors, Marconi, who won 2-1.

Newcastle started off well enough when Darren Stewart nodded home a near post ball in the third minute to give his team the lead. They continued to dominate and a duel seemed to develop between striker Tony Caban and Marconi's keeper Tony Veneri, with the keeper appearing to have all the answers.

Marconi equalised in the 37th minute following a free kick. Some indecision in the Newcastle de-

fence allowed Steve Calderan to nip in and head home.

Marconi wrapped up the match in the second half when a weak Newcastle clearance was returned into the goal area and headed home by Domenic Giannone in the 65th minute.

The duel between Veneri and Caban ended with

Veneri on top after he saved a Caban penalty in the 70th minute.

In the match at Ziems Park, Corrimall on Sunday it was a fairly even battle with Olympic running out winners 2-1 giving new coach, former Soccerroo Ron Corry, a win on his first outing with the side.

Olympic opened their

account in the fifth minute with an own goal when Wolves' Bill Sheridan deflected an Arthur Svinos header into his own net. The remainder of the half was evenly balanced with both keepers, David Curley for the Wolves and Peter Wilson for Olympic, busy and in fine form.

Olympic put the seal on the game in the 75th minute when Arthur Svinos headed a high ball over the advancing David Curley.

At Pratten Park competition leaders Sydney

City downed the current wooden spooners Leichhardt 4-1 thanks to a hat-trick by City's Ian Souness.

RESULTS:

CANBERRA 1 (Ambrosino) beat A.I.S. 0; MARCONI 2 (Calderan, Giannone) beat NEWCASTLE 1 (Stewart); OLYMPIC 2 (Sheridan, Svinos) beat WOLLONGONG 0; SYDNEY CITY 4 (Souness, Rodrigues) beat LEICHHARDT 2 (Valeri, Tsingolis).

NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
SYDNEY CITY	10	7	1	2	31	16	22
CANBERRA	9	5	0	4	19	16	15
ST GEORGE	9	4	2	3	18	16	14
OLYMPIC	8	4	2	2	17	15	14
MARCONI	10	3	5	2	14	13	14
NEWCASTLE J.	9	4	1	4	14	12	13
A.I.S.	8	3	2	3	8	10	11
WOLLONGONG	10	1	3	6	10	21	6
LEICHHARDT	9	1	2	6	10	22	5

NEXT WEEK

WED 8.6.83	MARCONI v LEICHHARDT	7.30 p.m. Marconi Stadium
SAT 11.6.83	WOLLONGONG v NEWCASTLE	1.00 p.m. Marconi Stadium
SAT 11.6.83	MARCONI v SYD CITY	3.00 p.m. Marconi Stadium
SAT 11.6.83	LEICHHARDT v CANBERRA	1.00 p.m. St George Stadium
SAT 11.6.83	ST GEORGE v OLYMPIC	3.00 p.m. St George Stadium
MON 13.6.83	CANBERRA v MARCONI	3.00 p.m. Bruce Stadium
MON 13.6.83	A.I.S. v WOLLONGONG	1.00 p.m. Bruce Stadium

COWAN TRANSFER SHELVED



Gordon Cowan

THE proposed transfer of Gordon Cowans from Aston Villa to AC Napoli has been shelved.

The new general manager at the Italian club said that Cowans was not included in his plans.

The England international had made a verbal agreement with the former general manager.

ENGLISH LEADING SCORERS DIVISION ONE

32 - Luther Blissett (Watford); 30 - Ian Rush (Liverpool); 25 - Bob Latchford (Swansea); 24 - Gary Shaw (Aston Villa); John Deehan (Norwich).

DIVISION TWO

26 - Gary Lineker (Leicester); Kevin Drinkell (Grimsby); 24 - Bobby Davison (Derby); 23 - Simon Garner (Blackburn); 22 - Imri Varadi (Newcastle); Gary Bannister (Sheffield Wednesday).

DIVISION THREE

33 - Tony Tynan (Newport); Bobby Campbell (Bradford); 32 - Kerry Dixon (Reading); 29 - Derek Bell (Lincoln).

DIVISION FOUR

27 - Dale Banton (Aldershot); 25 - John Leslie (Wimbledon); Ian Allinson (Colchester); Andy Massey (Northampton).

UK SOCCER SCENE

FADING BEST

GEORGE Best used to stand alone in British Soccer - but now he is just another name among the 360 players being given free transfers, after being told by Bournemouth they don't want him.

Other former big-money men on the free list include Mick Channon (Norwich), Jimmy Neighbour (West Ham) and John Hawly (Arsenal).



George Best

WANTED: BRADY



Liam Brady

CHARLIE Nicholas and Liam Brady are Manchester United's team-building targets for next season.

Manager Ron Atkinson is hoping to persuade Italian club Sampdoria to part with Brady.

He also is hoping to sign Nicholas although Celtic won't let United talk to the brilliant Scot because the fee they have offered doesn't match the bids by Arsenal and Liverpool.

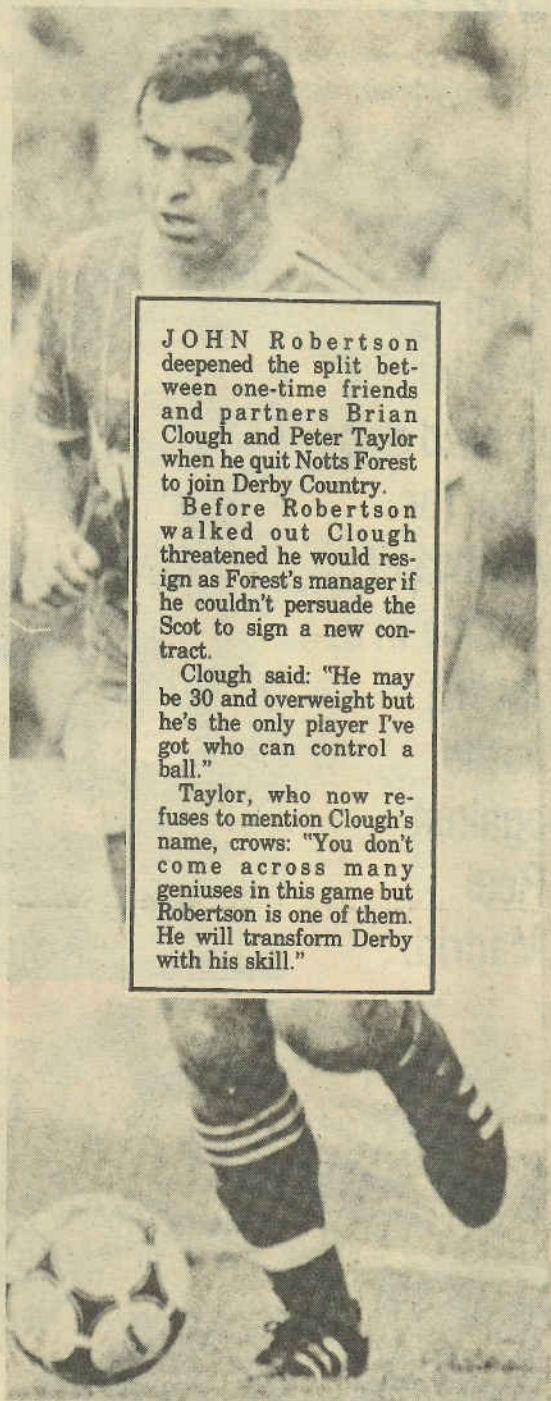
If Atkinson's blueprint works out, he could recoup big chunks of his

outlay by selling Ray Wilkins, a former England captain, and Dutchman Arnold Muhren.

Both would attract bids from the Continent.

JACKIE Charlton has resigned as Sheffield Wednesday's manager.

The club failed to win promotion from the second division and was beaten in an FA Cup semi-final by Brighton.



John Robertson

TOTTENHAM Hotspur are prepared to splash out \$1.5 million to buy French World Cup star Michel Platini from Juventus.

He was a member of the Juventus side that lost 0-1 to Hamburg in the European Cup final.

RICARDO Villa of Tottenham Hotspur, has flown to Miami for talks with the Fort Lauderdale Strikers of the NASL.

The Argentine star's contract with Spurs has not been renewed.

ALLAN Hudson is back in England from America claiming he is owed £6,000 by the Seattle Sounders.

Now 31, he is looking for a club after more than four years with the Sounders, who bought him from Arsenal for £100,000.

Hudson, who was chopped by the Sounders six months before his contract was up, says: "There was a clause in my contract which said clearly I was entitled to a bonus of \$9,000, but the club told me I was finished the day before it was due."

NICHOLAS NIGHTMARE



CHARLIE Nicholas' long-awaited Wembley debut turned into a nightmare as England outclassed Scotland 2-0 to retain the British Soccer Championship.

Ace marksman Nicholas was watched by Liverpool, Manchester United and Arsenal, all of whom hoped to sign him this week.

But though the Glasgow Celtic striker showed some neat touches it was England who completely dominated the proceedings and deservedly won

with goals from Bryan Robson and Gordon Cowans in the 12th and 52nd minutes.

Scotland, who must have had 60,000 supporters among the 84,000, should have smuggled in a second ball - for they seldom got a touch of the original.

Nicholas, scorer of 52 goals this season and the most exciting player to emerge since George Best, bore the brunt of some harsh tackling and was finally pulled off in the 67th minute.

**SORRY,
BUT
THIS IS
MY
GOAL!**

Toni Polster scored this goal for Austria of Vienna in a recent battle against Real Madrid.



ESTUDIANTES WIN 2-0

Estudiantes de la Plata beat Independiente 2-0 (half-time 1-0) tonight in the first leg of the final of the Argentine National Soccer Championship.

Estudiantes scored through Gottardi in the 35th minute, with Trama adding a second goal in the 72nd minute.

The second leg will be played on Friday.

The winner on aggregate will be one of Argentina's two representatives in the 1984 South American Libertadores Cup.

PRESIDENT'S CUP

South Korea's national side beat the Italian professional club Genoa 3-1 (half-time 1-0) in a group "A" preliminary of the 13th President's Cup football tournament were today.

Scorers: Genoa — Coti Giuseppe (53rd minute); South Korea — Cho Min-Kuk (32nd), Lee Tae-Ho (67th) and Byon Byong-Ju (79th).

FRANCE

Nantes are the French Soccer champions for 1983 after the 38th and last round of the first division championship.

Lille - Metz	1-1
Strasbourg - Toulouse	3-0
Sochaux - Laval	1-1
Auxerre - Lyons	3-1
Tours - Brest	2-0
Rouen - Paris St Germain	0-1
Saint Etienne - Bastia	1-1
Monaco - Bordeaux	3-1
Nantes - Mulhouse	2-1
Nancy - Lens	1-2

Nantes will play in the next European Cup, and Bordeaux, Laval and Lens will play in the UEFA Cup.

The final of the French Cup will take place on June 11 between Nantes and Paris St Germain. If Nantes win, Paris St Germain will still play in the European Cup-Winners' Cup.

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HUNGARY'S BOSS QUILTS

FORMER Hungarian World Cup centre-back and currently Hungary's team-manager, Kalman Meszoly, resigned from his national position, which he has held for the last three years.

He insisted that his decision was in no way related to the fact that Hungary will almost certainly now not qualify for the

European Championships.

The Hungarians were beaten 3-1 by Denmark in Group 3 in a qualifying match last week and this defeat now gives them no chance to qualify for the finals to be staged next year in France.

Group 3 is currently led by England who have eight points from five matches. Denmark fills second place with seven points from four games, three more than Hungary who have played a match more.

MARADONA ATTACKED

SOCCER superstar, Diego Maradona of Barcelona, was attacked by 100 club supporters as he left the Nou Camp Stadium recently after training.

The fans made a bee-



line for Maradona's car and his body guards, but police prevented the scene from turning ugly.

The attempted attack on the Argentinian, the world's most expensive player, was provoked by Maradona's abusive comments about his club's directors.

Maradona made an outburst when he was refused permission by Barcelona's president, Jose Luis to go to Munich and play in Paul Breitner's Jubilee match last Tuesday.



Polish star of Juventus Boniek (left) tracks the ball during a match against Roma. Left back

Maldera (centre) and Brazilian midfielder Falcão (right) attempt to block this attempt.

THE draw for the 1986 World Cup qualifying competition has been tentatively set for next March.

FIFA's general secretary Joseph Blatter said this would enable matches to start just after the final of the European

championship in Paris on June 27.



UDO Lattek has returned as manager of Bayern Munich after quitting Barcelona.

There is now talk that Barcelona's German star

Bernd Schuster will follow him to Bayern Munich.



LUDO Coek, the 27-year-old Anderlecht and Belgium midfielder player, has signed for AC Milan.

The fee is believed to be about \$850,000.

**IF KICKING BE THE
FOOD OF SOCCER,
THEN KICK ON . . .**